

# **UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS PLYMOUTH NHS TRUST**

## **HEALTHCARE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

### **CONSULTANT CLINICAL SCIENTIST IN DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY/RADIATION PROTECTION**

**GRADE: Band 8C**

**FULL TIME POST**

**37.5 HOURS PER WEEK**

Applications are invited for this exciting professional and managerial opportunity at University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust to support the operational management and raise the scientific profile of the Clinical and Radiation Physics Group. The Group is managed within the Healthcare Science and Technology Service Line and overseen by the Clinical Support Services Care Group. Amongst other professional roles and skillsets, the successful candidate will hold a certificate of competence (RPA2000) as a Radiation Protection Adviser and Medical Physics Expert. The role will be critical in providing managerial and leadership support to the Head of Clinical and Radiation Physics and will contribute to the strategic direction of the group during an exciting period of service development.

The Clinical and Radiation Physics Group comprises of 16 colleagues, including administrative staff, Healthcare Science Practitioners and Clinical Scientists, with the group providing scientific and technical services for diagnostic radiology, nuclear medicine and radiation protection within the NHS, private and academic sectors.

The Clinical & Radiation Physics group in Plymouth has an excellent reputation with both internal and external customers. We work closely with our clinical colleagues to deliver high quality, safe and patient centred radiological imaging and therapy services to our patients and have a history of working collaboratively with colleagues in other departments in the Southwest.

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust provides acute and specialist services to Plymouth and the wider Southwest Peninsula, has teaching status as part of the Plymouth University Peninsula Schools of Medicine, Dentistry, and Radiography, and hosts one of the UK's radiology academies. The Trust hosts the Peninsula Trauma Centre, providing all the major specialist services relevant to the care of major trauma, i.e. general surgery, emergency medicine, vascular, orthopaedic, plastic, spinal, maxillofacial, cardiothoracic and neurological surgery and interventional radiology. Our Trust is expanding rapidly, recognising the key benefits of medical Imaging and therapeutic uses of Ionising radiation in optimising patient experience and outcome. The service provides scientific support to West Devon & East Cornwall Breast Screening Programme and excellent operational relationships with R&D, Medical Imaging, and other Service Lines as an onsite service provider. Exciting, planned developments include new Cardiac Catheter Labs, Linac Bunkers, Gamma Cameras and a new 15,000m<sup>2</sup> build ('Future Hospitals') co-locating the Emergency Department and urgent care pathways alongside the addition of dedicated interventional radiology theatre capacity.

The hospital is situated in one of the most beautiful parts of the country close to stunning countryside, Dartmoor, glorious beaches, and endless opportunities for outdoor activities and within commuting distance for both Devon and Cornwall. The Trust supports flexible working opportunities including home working.

We encourage people from diverse backgrounds to apply for our roles, as diversity strengthens our teams. It is sometimes necessary to close vacancies before the closing date. If you have not heard from us within 4 weeks of the closing date, please assume that you have not been shortlisted. Applications will be considered from demonstrably experienced RPA's or MPE's not meeting all of the essential criteria who can demonstrate expertise in their field and extensive demonstrable management/leadership experience for appointment at a lower band.

**Informal enquiries are welcomed, please contact Rob Loader, Head of Clinical & Radiation Physics (01752) 439669 [robert.loader@nhs.net](mailto:robert.loader@nhs.net)**

**Anticipated Interview date – 20<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

To submit a formal application and for more information please go to NHS Jobs.

\*\*\*Preference will be given to internal Trust staff, as well as 'Priority' and 'At Risk' status including NHS At Risk staff throughout Devon who are able to display recent relevant experience as dictated by the Person Specification.\*\*\*