## Please note the Job descriptions start at page 1 (malignant interest) and page 14 (benign interest) respectively

## JOB DESCRIPTION 1 - Clinical Haematology with an interest in malignant haematology

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JOB TITLE:	Consultant Haematologist – Clinical Haematology with an interest in malignant haematology	
CONTRACT	Substantive, full-time (10 PAs)	
DIVISION:	Infection, Immunity and Rare Disorders	
LOCATION:	Royal Free Hospital, Pond Street	
NAME OF LINE MANAGER	Professor Pratima Chowdary - Clinical Service Lead Dr Parag Jasani - Divisional Clinical Director	
NAME OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICER FOR REVALIDATION	Dr Jane Hawdon	
MANAGES:	Directly:	NA
	Indirectly:	NA

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## The post holders will be expected to deliver

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Day care lead	0.5
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SPA – Total	2
CPD	1
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Educational supervision	0.25
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14:00-17:00	SVT clinic (monthly)	Outpatients

Please note that timetables are subject to change in accordance with the changing priorities of the Trust and the introduction of the 48-hour working week. This timetable is, therefore, only a guide and may not reflect working patterns in the future.

Any consultant who is unable for personal reasons to work full-time will be eligible to be considered for the post. If such a person is appointed, modification of the job content will be discussed personally with the Trust in consultation with consultant colleagues.

## 8 ROYAL FREE LONDON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

#### Introduction

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The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust has around 1,350 beds on its sites, and about 10,000 people are employed. As well as services for local people, such as an accident and emergency service, and all branches of surgery and medicine, the Trust is renowned for many specialist services. These include, amongst others, solid organ transplantation, nephrology and hepatology, HIV and infectious diseases, plastic surgery, immunology, amyloidosis and scleroderma.

The Trust's research priorities in collaboration with the medical school are translational and clinical research underpinned by a strong basic science. Areas of research excellence include rare disorders, organ failure and transplantation, oncology, immunity, inflammation, and neurosciences.

In August 2008, the Royal Free became a founder member of UCL Partners, a federation of UCL with associated Specialist trusts. UCL Partners was designated as an academic health science centre by the secretary of state in March 2009.

In April 2012, the Trust was awarded foundation status and became the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust.

## Early history

The Royal Free Hospital was founded in 1828 by William Marsden, a surgeon who later also founded the Marsden Hospital. It was the first hospital in London, and one of the first few in the country, to treat patients without any letter of introduction or payment. In the 1840s, the hospital moved to Gray's Inn Road. The hospital was given its royal title by Queen Victoria in recognition of its work during cholera outbreaks.

## Modern-day

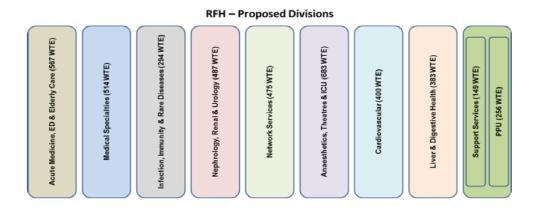
Built in 1974, the current Royal Free Hospital site has been extensively upgraded to bring its condition and equipment up to the best contemporary standards. The Trust manages several specialist community facilities in Camden and Barnet. The catchment area for services for older adults and emergency services comprises Hampstead and South Barnet.

A wide range of outpatient, day surgery and ambulatory services are provided elsewhere by the Royal Free in partnership with other hospitals, namely Edgware Community Hospital, Barnet Hospital, the North Middlesex Hospital, Finchley Memorial Hospital, Mount Vernon Hospital, Watford General Hospital, St Albans City Hospital, Harpenden Memorial Hospital, St Pancras Hospital, and also at three independent sector sites.

University College London (UCL) Medical School has an annual intake of 330 students. The Royal Free campus provides clinical training for approximately 140 students in Phase 2, and staff members also contribute to the Phase 1 (life sciences) course.

## Organisation

Patient services are managed across nine divisions. Haematology at Royal Free and Barnet, Haemophilia, and Thrombosis sit within Infection, Immunity and Rare Diseases with Haematology, Rheumatology, Microbiology, Virology, Clinical Immunology, Amyloidosis, HIV and Infectious Diseases. Dr Parag Jasani (Consultant Haematologist) is the Divisional Clinical Director for Infection, Immunity and Rare Diseases. Professor Pratima Chowdary is the service line lead for Haematology, Haemophilia and Thrombosis and Rheumatology. There is a separate Private Practice Unit located on the 12th Floor. Consultants undertaking private patient work are encouraged to use the Trust's facilities.



## 9 CROSS SITE DEPARTMENT OF HAEMATOLOGY STRATEGY

The three pillars of our haematology strategy are:

#### Local Care:

- Provide an excellent, safe and efficient haematology service for our local population, closer to their homes.
- Provide an excellent haematology lab and transfusion support for the hospital

## Specialist Care:

- Develop a Specialist immune haematology, myeloproliferative and MDS service
- Provide Specialist input to complex patients admitted to RFL, including organ transplantation
- Cancer care is managed from Barnet site

#### Academic and Teaching Excellence:

- Drive participation in and develop cutting-edge research
- Enhance our reputation as a centre of excellence for teaching and training, not only for medical students but all healthcare professionals

## 10 ROYAL FREE HAEMOPHILIA, HAEMATOLOGY AND THROMBOSIS

Both malignant and non-malignant haematology inpatients are admitted onto 11E. From 1st December 2015, the transfer of some malignant haematology services to UCLH has meant services remaining at RFL include levels 1- 2b, comprising levels 1-2b (excluding AML) at the Barnet site, levels 1-2a at the Chase Farm Site, and level 1 only at Royal Free Hospital site. Haemophilia and thrombosis services are run from the Katharine Dormandy Haemophilia Centre located on the ground floor, a comprehensive care centre. Anticoagulation services are also provided at Royal Free Hospital and Barnet Hospital sites, collectively providing the largest outpatient service at the Trust, having seen a rapid increase in activity over the past few years. Since the acquisition of Barnet and Chase Farm Hospitals, the service has worked towards aligning service provision. The Royal Free Hospital site department will further increase specialist haematology services, including haemophilia and Thrombosis, metabolic haematology, lysosomal storage disorders, immuno-haematology, and myeloma in patients with renal dysfunction, systemic amyloidosis and Specialist transfusion with a view to developing Specialist Centre status in non-malignant haematological conditions. Some of the targeted haematological disorders offer synergy with the services offered by the haemophilia and haemostasis unit, such as immune thrombocytopenia (ITP).

Blood transfusion is also one of the most common inpatient procedures at RFL (36000 units transfused per year). Significant transformative advances in the science, technology and practice of transfusion in the last decade have led to important initiatives in hospital Blood Banking and Transfusion Medicine comprising: Electronic processes for testing and supply of blood products, Greater choice of blood products, improved monitoring of outcomes, Electronic processes to track blood, Patient Blood Management and Improved care-pathways for transfusing patients

The department undertakes teaching in Haematology for medical students from University College London. Postgraduate teaching and lectures are given by department members and visiting speakers regularly.

Research also plays a significant and vital role in the department with diverse research interests, including cellular immunotherapy, signal transduction and haemophilia and Thrombosis, lysosomal storage disorders, amyloidosis and gene therapy. All junior doctors are assigned a Consultant Supervisor who assists both doctors in and out of training with their education.

#### Inpatient and outpatient services

The department has access to the Oncology Ward on 11E and one of the Private Wards.

In 2022/23, the service saw around 1800 first appointments with another 5700 follow-up appointments. Ambulatory care is undertaken in 2NA as part of the rare disorder hub and planned investigation and treatment unit. Pre-COVID, there were approximately 300 Consultant episodes per month.

The Anthony Nolan laboratories are on the Royal Free site, and there is close collaboration between the two institutions.

Weekly General Haematology, FBC non-immune clinic and FBC autoimmune clinic, Metabolic Haematology clinic, Myeloproliferative Clinics, Myeloma/Amyloid Clinic, HSEP haematology clinic, Anaemia clinic, Iron deficiency clinic, and a Lysosomal storage disorders Clinic. There is also a monthly SVT clinic held jointly with Hepatology.

#### Laboratory

The Pathology Laboratory services are provided by the Joint Venture Pathology Provider, Health Services Laboratories (HSL). HSL is jointly owned by the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust, University College Hospitals London NHS Foundation Trust and the private partner, The Doctor's Laboratory (TDL). The Joint Venture provider complies with strategic developments required by NHS Improvement and NHS England.

The Medical Director for HSL is Dr Rachael Liebmann. Each Trust hosts a rapid response laboratory and specimen reception area. The majority of laboratory functions (except cellular pathology and specialits coagulation) is undertaken at the consolidated laboratory at the Halo building on Mabledon Place.

All tests for diagnosis of haematological malignancies are sent to the SIHMDS

A Rapid Response Laboratory on site (Blood Sciences) provides Routine Haematology tests, FBC, ESR, IM, Malaria and blood and bone marrow film morphology INR, APTT, PT, TT, Fib and Fib and D-dimers.

Blood transfusion laboratory provides G&S, Keilhauer, antibody investigations, phenotyping, manual and electronic cross-match, Remote electronic issues of blood products, and blood tracking.

## 11 DEPARTMENTAL STAFFING

Prof Amit Nathwani	Academic Head of Haematology, Royal Free campus Honorary Consultant Haemostasis and Thrombosis,
Dr Parag Jasani	Consultant Haematologist, Divisional Clinical Director
Prof Derralynn Hughes	Consultant Haematologist, Lysosomal Storage disorders; Clinical Director R&D
Prof Pratima Chowdary	Consultant Haematologist, Haemophilia and Thrombosis Clinical Service Lead
Dr Mallika Sekhar	Consultant Haematologist and Transfusion lead
Dr Momin Ahmed	Consultant Haematologist, Clinical Specialty Lead
Dr Neil Chauhan	Consultant Haematologist, Training and Education Lead
Dr Keith Gomez	Consultant Haematologist, Associate Professor, Clinical lead for Haemostasis Genetics
Dr Paul Batty	Consultant Haematologist, Associate Professor, UCL
Dr Anja Drebes	Consultant Haematologist, Haemostasis and Thrombosis; Clinical Lead Haemophilia and Thrombosis Centre
Dr Mary Mathias	Consultant Paediatric Haematologist
Dr Thynn Yee	Associate Specialist, Haemostasis and Thrombosis
Vacancy 1	
Vacancy 2	

#### Senior medical staff in the department at the Royal Free Hospital Site:

#### Junior Medical Staff in the Department:

- 4.0 WTE Specialist Registrars who rotate on the University College London Hospital rotation.
- 2.0 WTE Junior Clinical Fellows (CMT equivalent)

- 1.0 WTE CMTs
- 1 WTE Specialty doctor Haematology

## 12 General Responsibilities

#### Infection Control

Infection control is everyone's responsibility. All staff, both clinical and non-clinical, are required to adhere to the Trust's Infection Prevention and Control policies and procedures and the Health Act (2006) Code of Practice for the prevention and control healthcare associated infections and make every effort to maintain high standards of infection control at all times thereby reducing the risk of Healthcare Associated infections.

It is the duty of every member of staff to take personal responsibility for the prevention and control of infection, as laid down in the Trust's policies and procedures, which reflect the statutory requirements of the Hygiene Code. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Woking in close collaboration with the Infection Control Team
- Ensuring that monitoring of clinical practice is undertaken at the agreed frequency
- Ensuring that the ward environments are cleaned and maintained to the highest standards and that shortfalls are rectified or escalate as necessary
- Ensuring that all relevant monitoring data and issues are provided through the Directorate's Governance structures
- Ensuring that all staff are released to attend infection control-related educational sessions and staff with specialist roles, like link practitioners, are released to undertake their duties

#### Health and Safety at Work and Occupational health clearance

The post holders are required to:

- Take reasonable care for the health and safety of himself/herself and other persons who may be affected by their actions or omissions at work.
- Co-operate with the employer in ensuring that all statutory and other requirements are complied with.
- The post is subject to occupational health clearance.

#### Confidentiality & Data Protection

The post holders are responsible for complying with the Data Protection Act 1998 and maintaining the confidentiality of staff, patients and Trust business.

If they are required to process information, they should do so in a fair and lawful way, ensuring that accuracy is maintained. They should hold information only for the specific registered purpose and not use or disclose it in any way incompatible with such a purpose.

The post holders should disclose information only to authorised persons or organisations as instructed. Breaches of confidentiality in relation to information will result in

disciplinary action, which may include dismissal. Employees are expected to comply with all Trust policies and procedures and to work in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. For those posts where there is management or supervision of other staff it is the responsibility of that employee to ensure that their staff receive appropriate training (e.g., HISS induction, organising refresher sessions for staff when necessary.)

#### **Conflict of Interest**

The Trust is responsible for ensuring that the services for patients in its care meet the highest standards. Equally, it is responsible for ensuring that staff do not abuse their official position, to gain or benefit themselves, their family or friends.

#### **Disclosure and Barring Scheme (DBS)**

If the role you are applying for is identified as either controlled or regulated activity as defined in in the Safeguarding vulnerable Groups Act (2006) any offer of employment is provisional upon a satisfactory DBS check being obtained.

## Equality and Diversity

The Trust values equality and diversity in employment and in the services we provide. It is committed to promoting equality and diversity in employment and will keep under review our policies and procedures to ensure that the job-related needs of all staff working in the Trust are recognised. The Trust aims to ensure that all job applicants, employees or clients are treated fairly and valued equally regardless of gender, marital status, domestic circumstances, age, disablement, ethnic or national origin, social background or employment status, sexual orientation, religion, beliefs, HIV status, gender reassignment, political affiliation or trade union membership. Selection for training and development and promotion will be on the basis of the individual's ability to meet the requirements for the job.

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#### Vulnerable Groups

The post holders are required to:

Carry out responsibilities in such a way as to minimise the risk of harm to children, young people and vulnerable adults and to promote their welfare in accordance with the Children Act 2004, Working Together to Safeguard Children (2006) and No Secrets guidance (DH 2000).

Demonstrate an understanding of and adhere to the Trust's child protection policies.

#### No Smoking

The Trust implemented a No Smoking Policy, which applies to all staff. Staff contravening this policy will be subject to disciplinary procedures.

#### Standards of dress

All staff are expected to abide by the Trust's guidance on standards of dress.

This job description outlines the current main responsibilities of the post however the duties of the post may change and develop over time and may therefore be amended in consultation with the post holders.

#### Terms and conditions

Terms and Conditions will be in accordance with nationally agreed conditions of service for Consultants (England) 2003.

#### Contact details for visiting arrangements

Applicants should contact either Professor Pratima Chowdary, Clinical Service Lead at <u>p.chowdary@nhs.net</u> Dr Anja Drebes at <u>a.drebes@nhs.net</u>, or Dr. Parag Jasani at <u>parag.jasani@nhs.net</u>.

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13:30 – 17:30	General New Clinics	Outpatients
Thursday		
09:00 - 12:00	Consultant Ward Round	
Friday		
08:30-09:00	Journal Club	HSR
09.00 - 13:00	Cancer 2WW Clinic	Outpatients
13:00 – 14:00	Academic meeting	Haemophilia Centre
14:00-17:00	SVT clinic (monthly)	Outpatients

# Please note that timetables are subject to change in accordance with the changing priorities of the Trust and the introduction of the 48-hour working week. This timetable is, therefore, only a guide and may not reflect working patterns in the future.

Any consultant who is unable for personal reasons to work full-time will be eligible to be considered for the post. If such a person is appointed, modification of the job content will be discussed personally with the Trust in consultation with consultant colleagues.

## 8 ROYAL FREE LONDON NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

#### Introduction

The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust is one of the largest and busiest in London, with a well-established national and international reputation for clinical excellence and world-class care. The Trust delivers care to over 1.6 million people annually through three leading hospitals: Barnet, Chase Farm and the Royal Free. It prides itself on being a supportive and friendly place to work with the patient's best interests at the heart of everything it does.

The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust has around 1,350 beds on its sites, and about 10,000 people are employed. As well as services for local people, such as an accident and emergency service, and all branches of surgery and medicine, the Trust is renowned for many specialist services. These include, amongst others, solid organ transplantation, nephrology and hepatology, HIV and infectious diseases, plastic surgery, immunology, amyloidosis and scleroderma.

The Trust's research priorities in collaboration with the medical school are translational and clinical research underpinned by a strong basic science. Areas of research excellence include rare disorders, organ failure and transplantation, oncology, immunity, inflammation, and neurosciences.

In August 2008, the Royal Free became a founder member of UCL Partners, a federation of UCL with associated Specialist trusts. UCL Partners was designated as an academic health science centre by the secretary of state in March 2009.

In April 2012, the Trust was awarded foundation status and became the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust.

#### Early history

The Royal Free Hospital was founded in 1828 by William Marsden, a surgeon who later also founded the Marsden Hospital. It was the first hospital in London, and one of the first few in the country, to treat patients without any letter of introduction or payment. In the 1840s, the hospital moved to Gray's Inn Road. The hospital was given its royal title by Queen Victoria in recognition of its work during cholera outbreaks.

#### Modern-day

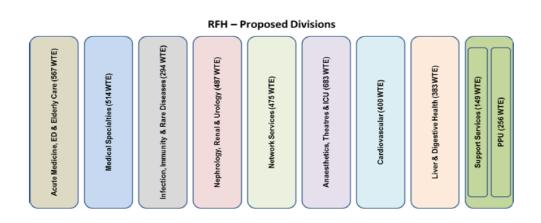
Built in 1974, the current Royal Free Hospital site has been extensively upgraded to bring its condition and equipment up to the best contemporary standards. The Trust manages several specialist community facilities in Camden and Barnet. The catchment area for services for older adults and emergency services comprises Hampstead and South Barnet.

A wide range of outpatient, day surgery and ambulatory services are provided elsewhere by the Royal Free in partnership with other hospitals, namely Edgware Community Hospital, Barnet Hospital, the North Middlesex Hospital, Finchley Memorial Hospital, Mount Vernon Hospital, Watford General Hospital, St Albans City Hospital, Harpenden Memorial Hospital, St Pancras Hospital, and also at three independent sector sites.

University College London (UCL) Medical School has an annual intake of 330 students. The Royal Free campus provides clinical training for approximately 140 students in Phase 2, and staff members also contribute to the Phase 1 (life sciences) course.

## Organisation

Patient services are managed across nine divisions. Haematology at Royal Free and Barnet, Haemophilia, and Thrombosis sit within Infection, Immunity and Rare Diseases with Haematology, Rheumatology, Microbiology, Virology, Clinical Immunology, Amyloidosis, HIV and Infectious Diseases. Dr Parag Jasani (Consultant Haematologist) is the Divisional Clinical Director for Infection, Immunity and Rare Diseases. Professor Pratima Chowdary is the service line lead for Haematology, Haemophilia and Thrombosis and Rheumatology. There is a separate Private Practice Unit located on the 12th Floor. Consultants undertaking private patient work are encouraged to use the Trust's facilities.



## 9 CROSS SITE DEPARTMENT OF HAEMATOLOGY STRATEGY

The three pillars of our haematology strategy are:

#### Local Care:

- Provide an excellent, safe and efficient haematology service for our local population, closer to their homes.
- Provide an excellent haematology lab and transfusion support for the hospital

#### Specialist Care:

- Develop a Specialist immune haematology, myeloproliferative and MDS service
- Provide Specialist input to complex patients admitted to RFL, including organ transplantation
- Cancer care is managed from Barnet site

#### Academic and Teaching Excellence:

- Drive participation in and develop cutting-edge research
- Enhance our reputation as a centre of excellence for teaching and training, not only for medical students but all healthcare professionals

## 10 ROYAL FREE HAEMOPHILIA, HAEMATOLOGY AND THROMBOSIS

Both malignant and non-malignant haematology inpatients are admitted onto 11E. From 1st December 2015, the transfer of some malignant haematology services to UCLH has meant services remaining at RFL include levels 1- 2b, comprising levels 1-2b (excluding AML) at the Barnet site, levels 1-2a at the Chase Farm Site, and level 1 only at Royal Free Hospital site. Haemophilia and thrombosis services are run from the Katharine Dormandy Haemophilia Centre located on the ground floor, a comprehensive care centre. Anticoagulation services are also provided at Royal Free Hospital and Barnet Hospital sites, collectively providing the largest outpatient service at the Trust, having seen a rapid increase in activity over the past few years. Since the acquisition of Barnet and Chase Farm Hospitals, the service has worked towards aligning service provision.

The Royal Free Hospital site department will further increase specialist haematology services, including haemophilia and Thrombosis, metabolic haematology, lysosomal storage disorders, immuno-haematology, and myeloma in patients with renal dysfunction, systemic amyloidosis and Specialist transfusion with a view to developing Specialist Centre status in non-malignant haematological conditions. Some of the targeted haematological disorders offer synergy with the services offered by the haemophilia and haemostasis unit, such as immune thrombocytopenia (ITP).

Blood transfusion is also one of the most common inpatient procedures at RFL (36000 units transfused per year). Significant transformative advances in the science, technology and practice of transfusion in the last decade have led to important initiatives in hospital Blood Banking and Transfusion Medicine comprising: Electronic processes for testing and supply of blood products, Greater choice of blood products, improved monitoring of outcomes, Electronic processes to track blood, Patient Blood Management and Improved care-pathways for transfusing patients

The department undertakes teaching in Haematology for medical students from University College London. Postgraduate teaching and lectures are given by department members and visiting speakers regularly.

Research also plays a significant and vital role in the department with diverse research interests, including cellular immunotherapy, signal transduction and haemophilia and Thrombosis, lysosomal storage disorders, amyloidosis and gene therapy. All junior doctors are assigned a Consultant Supervisor who assists both doctors in and out of training with their education.

#### Inpatient and outpatient services

The department has access to the Oncology Ward on 11E and one of the Private Wards.

In 2022/23, the service saw around 1800 first appointments with another 5700 follow-up appointments. Ambulatory care is undertaken in 2NA as part of the rare disorder hub and planned investigation and treatment unit. Pre-COVID, there were approximately 300 Consultant episodes per month.

The Anthony Nolan laboratories are on the Royal Free site, and there is close collaboration between the two institutions.

Weekly General Haematology, FBC non-immune clinic and FBC autoimmune clinic, Metabolic Haematology clinic, Myeloproliferative Clinics, Myeloma/Amyloid Clinic, HSEP haematology clinic, Anaemia clinic, Iron deficiency clinic, and a Lysosomal storage disorders Clinic. There is also a monthly SVT clinic held jointly with Hepatology.

## Laboratory

The Pathology Laboratory services are provided by the Joint Venture Pathology Provider, Health Services Laboratories (HSL). HSL is jointly owned by the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust, University College Hospitals London NHS Foundation Trust and the private partner, The Doctor's Laboratory (TDL). The Joint Venture provider complies with strategic developments required by NHS Improvement and NHS England. The Medical Director for HSL is Dr Rachael Liebmann. Each Trust hosts a rapid response laboratory and specimen reception area. The majority of laboratory functions (except cellular pathology and specialits coagulation) is undertaken at the consolidated laboratory at the Halo building on Mabledon Place.

All tests for diagnosis of haematological malignancies are sent to the SIHMDS

A Rapid Response Laboratory on site (Blood Sciences) provides Routine Haematology tests, FBC, ESR, IM, Malaria and blood and bone marrow film morphology INR, APTT, PT, TT, Fib and Fib and D-dimers.

Blood transfusion laboratory provides G&S, Keilhauer, antibody investigations, phenotyping, manual and electronic cross-match, Remote electronic issues of blood products, and blood tracking.

## 11 DEPARTMENTAL STAFFING

Prof Amit Nathwani	Academic Head of Haematology, Royal Free campus Honorary Consultant Haemostasis and Thrombosis,
Dr Parag Jasani	Consultant Haematologist, Divisional Clinical Director
Prof Derralynn Hughes	Consultant Haematologist, Lysosomal Storage disorders; Clinical Director R&D
Prof Pratima Chowdary	Consultant Haematologist, Haemophilia and Thrombosis Clinical Service Lead
Dr Mallika Sekhar	Consultant Haematologist and Transfusion lead

#### Senior medical staff in the department at the Royal Free Hospital Site:

Dr Momin Ahmed	Consultant Haematologist, Clinical Specialty Lead
Dr Neil Chauhan	Consultant Haematologist, Training and Education Lead
Dr Keith Gomez	Consultant Haematologist, Associate Professor, Clinical lead for Haemostasis Genetics
Dr Paul Batty	Consultant Haematologist, Associate Professor, UCL
Dr Anja Drebes	Consultant Haematologist, Haemostasis and Thrombosis; Clinical Lead Haemophilia and Thrombosis Centre
Dr Mary Mathias	Consultant Paediatric Haematologist
Dr Thynn Yee	Associate Specialist, Haemostasis and Thrombosis
Vacancy 1	
Vacancy 2	

## Junior Medical Staff in the Department:

- 4.0 WTE Specialist Registrars who rotate on the University College London Hospital rotation.
- 2.0 WTE Junior Clinical Fellows (CMT equivalent)
- 1.0 WTE CMTs
- 1 WTE Specialty doctor Haematology

## **12 General Responsibilities**

## Infection Control

Infection control is everyone's responsibility. All staff, both clinical and non-clinical, are required to adhere to the Trust's Infection Prevention and Control policies and procedures and the Health Act (2006) Code of Practice for the prevention and control healthcare associated infections and make every effort to maintain high standards of infection control at all times thereby reducing the risk of Healthcare Associated infections.

It is the duty of every member of staff to take personal responsibility for the prevention and control of infection, as laid down in the Trust's policies and procedures, which reflect the statutory requirements of the Hygiene Code. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Woking in close collaboration with the Infection Control Team
- Ensuring that monitoring of clinical practice is undertaken at the agreed frequency
- Ensuring that the ward environments are cleaned and maintained to the highest standards and that shortfalls are rectified or escalate as necessary
- Ensuring that all relevant monitoring data and issues are provided through the Directorate's Governance structures
- Ensuring that all staff are released to attend infection control-related educational sessions and staff with specialist roles, like link practitioners, are released to undertake their duties

## Health and Safety at Work and Occupational health clearance

The post holders are required to:

- Take reasonable care for the health and safety of himself/herself and other persons who may be affected by their actions or omissions at work.
- Co-operate with the employer in ensuring that all statutory and other requirements are complied with.
- The post is subject to occupational health clearance.

#### **Confidentiality & Data Protection**

The post holders are responsible for complying with the Data Protection Act 1998 and maintaining the confidentiality of staff, patients and Trust business.

If they are required to process information, they should do so in a fair and lawful way, ensuring that accuracy is maintained. They should hold information only for the specific registered purpose and not use or disclose it in any way incompatible with such a purpose.

The post holders should disclose information only to authorised persons or organisations as instructed. Breaches of confidentiality in relation to information will result in disciplinary action, which may include dismissal. Employees are expected to comply with all Trust policies and procedures and to work in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. For those posts where there is management or supervision of other staff it is the responsibility of that employee to ensure that their staff receive appropriate training (e.g., HISS induction, organising refresher sessions for staff when necessary.)

#### **Conflict of Interest**

The Trust is responsible for ensuring that the services for patients in its care meet the highest standards. Equally, it is responsible for ensuring that staff do not abuse their official position, to gain or benefit themselves, their family or friends.

#### **Disclosure and Barring Scheme (DBS)**

If the role you are applying for is identified as either controlled or regulated activity as defined in in the Safeguarding vulnerable Groups Act (2006) any offer of employment is provisional upon a satisfactory DBS check being obtained.

#### Equality and Diversity

The Trust values equality and diversity in employment and in the services we provide. It is committed to promoting equality and diversity in employment and will keep under review our policies and procedures to ensure that the job-related needs of all staff working in the Trust are recognised. The Trust aims to ensure that all job applicants, employees or clients are treated fairly and valued equally regardless of gender, marital status, domestic circumstances, age, disablement, ethnic or national origin, social background or employment status, sexual orientation, religion, beliefs, HIV status, gender reassignment, political affiliation or trade union membership. Selection for training and development and promotion will be on the basis of the individual's ability to meet the requirements for the job.

The post holders are responsible for ensuring that all the Trust's policies, procedures and obligations in respect of promoting equality and diversity are adhered to in relation to both staff and services.

#### Vulnerable Groups

The post holders are required to:

Carry out responsibilities in such a way as to minimise the risk of harm to children, young people and vulnerable adults and to promote their welfare in accordance with the Children Act 2004, Working Together to Safeguard Children (2006) and No Secrets guidance (DH 2000).

Demonstrate an understanding of and adhere to the Trust's child protection policies.

## No Smoking

The Trust implemented a No Smoking Policy, which applies to all staff. Staff contravening this policy will be subject to disciplinary procedures.

## Standards of dress

All staff are expected to abide by the Trust's guidance on standards of dress.

This job description outlines the current main responsibilities of the post however the duties of the post may change and develop over time and may therefore be amended in consultation with the post holders.

## Terms and conditions

Terms and Conditions will be in accordance with nationally agreed conditions of service for Consultants (England) 2003.

## Contact details for visiting arrangements

Applicants should contact either Professor Pratima Chowdary, Clinical Service Lead at <u>p.chowdary@nhs.net</u> Dr Anja Drebes at <u>a.drebes@nhs.net</u>, or Dr. Parag Jasani at <u>parag.jasani@nhs.net</u>.