

Person Specification

HEALTHCARE PLAY SPECIALIST

Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	Foundation Degree – Healthcare Play Specialism NNEB/BTEC Recent and relevant evidence of practice	
Experience	The ability to demonstrate good knowledge of the well child physical, psychological and social development. Experience of effective working as a team member.	Experience within the Hospital setting Knowledge of the effects of hospitalisation/illness on the child's family. Experience of working with children with special needs including those with challenging behaviours.
Knowledge	Understanding of the need of confidentiality awareness at all times	
Communication Skills	Good written and verbal communication skills Ability to communicate sensitively with families under stress and in crisis. Good interpersonal skills.	



Skills	Ability to meet the physical needs of the well child. Good IT skills, including basic knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel.	
Personal Skills	Ability to relate well to others. Ability to manage personal stress	
Physical/Mental Efforts	Able to work flexible hours and weekends according to need of clinical area Commitment to patient/family-centred, non-discriminatory practice	