

Looking for something a little different?

Maybe a new challenge or a different aspect and perspective to your current role?

If you join the VFC team, you will get to experience working with the acute management of non-surgical fractures and be welcomed into our small, dynamic and friendly team.

Our service is part of the orthopaedics trauma pathway. We work with the Emergency Department, radiologists and Orthopaedic Teams to manage patients and play a key role in managing patients to reduce unnecessary hospital admissions. We work to ensure patients are seen by the right specialities in a timely manner to ensure optimum the best recovery from their injury. We mainly contact patients by phone and email. It is fast paced, and the case load is variable dependent patients presenting to the emergency department. You will learn a lot about acute management of fractures. We sometimes join, and contribute to, teaching sessions with the Extended Nurse Practitioners or the Junior doctors.

Patients are referred to the VFC from the Emergency Department and Minor Injuries Unit as well as from GPs and other hospitals. We have a daily ward round with one of the orthopaedic consultants and use a digital system called e trauma. We are based at Worthing Hospital but also cover St Richards Hospital, Chichester (currently, the prospective candidate would cover St Richards hospital once a fortnight), there is some scope for home working. At times there may be a need to attend any site (including southlands).

The service is run by physiotherapists and an Extended Nurse Practitioner; this position is open to all qualified health care professionals and we are excited about welcoming professionals from a different background into the team as we think this brings interesting new perspectives.

This role is a full time static post which will allow you to immerse yourself in the role and help contribute to improvement and development of the service.

We would expect you to be comfortable using a computer and be IT literate.

Post-graduate experience working in MSK or Orthopaedics or Emergency care or a Virtual Clinic is essential. Experience in supporting or supervising students or junior staff members would be desirable as this is part of the role.

Normal working hours are 8.30 – 16.30 Monday to Friday, there is some limited flexibility with these hours, subject to service needs and prior discussion.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss this or have any other questions about the role s.sokota@nhs.net

Please read carefully: What to include in your personal statement:

- Please clearly state your post-qualification experience and how it relates to this job. Please ensure you focus on MSK, Orthopaedic, Emergency Department and/or Virtual health care experience and a brief overview only of other work experience.
- Please include your understanding or your experience of virtual clinics.

- Equality, inclusion and diversity are important to us please include any relevant experience you have in these areas.
- Please include experience of supporting team members, especially junior staff and students and other members of the MDT.
- Please keep your personal statement concise and relevant to this job in order for us to best use our time to short-list appropriate candidates.

If you are an international applicant;

We welcome your application; please read the guidance above about your personal statement. In addition; we are interested in your understanding of the differences in working in your current country and working for a UK NHS Trust, this includes your perceptions of any cultural differences and what extra challenges or advantages this may bring if you are successful in getting this job.

Please do contact us if you feel you need more information about the job, working in the UK, the kind of area West Sussex is, cost of living or anything else that will help you decide if you would enjoy working for us. We want our staff to be well informed and happy working with us.

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If you are considering using AI, please ensure that it follows the above guidelines.

Generic applications that are not specific to this role will not be considered, please read the job description before writing your personal statement.