

Job title:	Practice Nurse	Reports to:	Head of Nursing	Grade:	6
Organisation Unit:	Nursing	Responsible for:	Direct clinical care	Working hours:	PT/ FT

# **Job Purpose / Job Overview**

As a General Practice Nurse, you will provide high-quality nursing care, health assessments, and treatments to patients, working closely with GPs and other healthcare professionals. Your role will involve patient education, chronic disease management, and participation in health promotion activities, all while adhering to the NMC Code of Conduct and the partnership's policies.

# Nursing care: Conduct patient assessments, including history taking, physical examinations, and vital signs monitoring relevant to role. Administer treatments and procedures such as wound care, ECGs, Doppler assessments, blood pressure checks, and injections. Person Criteria Qualifications Registered Nurse (RN) with a current NMC registration. Knowledge/ Experience/ Skills Essential:

- Provide immunisations, including child and travel vaccinations, and perform cervical screening.
- Provide contraceptive care and advice.

# **Chronic Disease Management:**

- Support the management of patients with chronic conditions, such as diabetes, asthma,
   COPD, and cardiovascular disease.
- Monitor and review treatment plans, ensuring they align with best practices and patient needs.
- Collaborate with GPs and other healthcare professionals to optimise patient care.

## **Health Education and Promotion:**

- Educate patients on managing their health, including self-care practices and preventive measures.
- Promote healthy lifestyles and offer guidance on diet, exercise, and smoking cessation.

# Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Competent in using computerised patient record systems.
- Commitment to patient-centred care and high standards of practice.
- Flexibility to work across multiple sites if required.

### Desirable:

- Experience in General Practice or Primary Care.
- Experience in chronic disease management, particularly in diabetes, respiratory and cardiovascular care.
- Previous experience in administering immunisations, performing cervical screening and undertaking contraception reviews.
- Knowledge of health promotion and patient education strategies.

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Other:

- Maintain accurate and detailed patient records, ensuring all treatments and consultations are documented in the practice's computerised system.
- Monitor and manage medical supplies, including the ordering of vaccines, drugs, and laboratory materials.
- Participate in practice meetings, contributing to discussions on patient care, practice development, and policy updates.
- Work as part of a multidisciplinary team, supporting colleagues and sharing expertise to improve patient outcomes.
- Act as a chaperone during patient consultations when requested by clinicians.
- Assist in training and mentoring junior staff, healthcare assistants, and medical students.
- Engage in continuous professional development, attending training sessions and study days to enhance clinical skills and knowledge.
- Maintain a Personal Learning Plan to ensure compliance with revalidation requirements and NMC standards.