

# DDRC Healthcare

## Job Description

### Job Title: Hyperbaric Bank Nurse

#### Core Principles of DDRC Team

##### Each member of staff holds a responsibility

- For their own safety, and that of the patients and visitors entering the centre. Every staff member must adhere to the standard operating procedures laid down by the organisation regarding the work which they undertake, and where visitors or patients are present, ensure that they are afforded the appropriate protection which these provide.
- To support all other members of staff both professionally and personally.
- To acknowledge the importance of Team working, in addition to each individual's own role and responsibility.
- To provide high quality care for patients.
- To promote excellence in all aspects of the work, in order to develop an international reputation for good practice and innovative research in both diving and clinical fields.
- To work within the objectives of the charity.

#### Main Purpose of Job:

- Provide quality care for patients attending DDRC Healthcare. Provide hyperbaric skills (as developed) and clinical care for patients, including critically ill patients requiring hyperbaric oxygen.
- To act in accordance with NMC standards, comply with revalidation requirements and ensure that registration and indemnity cover are valid.
- Participate in conducting research and development as required by Line Manager.
- Participate in undertaking routine medical examinations as required.

**Responsible to:** Senior Clinical Nurse

#### Responsible for:

- The assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation of quality care for patients at DDRC Healthcare.
- Taking an active role in developing team working methods, assisting in the development and maintenance of good staff morale.
- Supervision of Student Nurses, and other paramedic or medical trainees at DDRC Healthcare in agreement with Senior Clinical Nurse.

#### Key Working Relationships:

Patients, Doctors, Other Nursing staff, Chamber and Administration staff.

**Main Tasks:**

- General Nursing duties within the Centre and other duties as instructed by the Senior Clinical Nurse.
- Actively participating in clinical governance procedures.
- Maintaining clinical stock levels.
- Auditing and undertaking wound care using an evidence base.
- Working autonomously within appropriate guidelines.
- Hyperbaric chamber attendant as negotiated and considered appropriate.
- Assessment of patients prior to treatment.
- Liaison with administration and clinical staff to ensure seamless patient episodes.
- Undertaking Hospital Liaison visits to in-patients in the Plymouth area in line with staffing constraints within the Hyperbaric Medical Centre.
- Undertaking CPD / reasonable steps to ensure that nursing skills and competencies are up to date.
- Participation in the on call rota if appropriate and required.
- Assisting with preliminary examinations for occupational and recreational medicals as required and following appropriate training.
- Assist with training and supervision of non-clinical staff.

**Key Challenges of the Job:** Increase knowledge base and maintain enthusiasm to ensure that DDRC Healthcare remains a centre of excellence. Willingness to expand knowledge in wound care and research fields.

**Qualifications required:** Registered General Nurse or Registered Nurse (Adult).

**Supplementary Roles** chamber attendant, medical technician (after agreed training and undertaking HSE Diving Medical) if considered appropriate.

The above is not an exhaustive list of duties and the postholder will be expected to perform different tasks as necessitated by their changing role within the organisation and the overall business objectives of the organisation. *Wherever possible these changes will be made in consultation with the postholder.*

Job Description agreed and approved;

Manager.....	Postholder.....
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**Person Specification**

**POST: Hyperbaric Bank Nurse**

<b>COMPETENCE</b>	<b>ESSENTIAL</b>	<b>DESIRABLE</b>	<b>ASSESSMENT</b>
QUALIFICATION	Valid first level Registration.  Current basic life support training.	Evidence of supervising or mentoring nursing students and other allied health professionals.  Current ILS and paediatric basic life support training	Application Form.  CV/portfolio.  Professional profile.
EXPERIENCE	Experience of working semi-autonomously in managing patient care and general unit/ward level administration.  Current acute care knowledge and experience.  Minimum of one year of experience post qualification.	Experience of hyperbaric chamber environment. Diving experience. Interest in clinical research. Recent critical care experience (to include A&E, ICU, HDU). Experience of dealing with maxillofacial patients. Knowledge of wound care management.	References.  Knowledge base and documentary evidence/portfolio.
SKILLS	Good time management. Excellent communication skills. Familiarity with Microsoft Office and electronic patient records. Attention to detail. Willingness to undertake any necessary training. Willingness to train as Chamber attendant. Willingness to contribute to in service training and patient education.	Willingness to train and undertake preliminary examinations for diving medicals.	Portfolio/CV.
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES	Honesty, loyalty, integrity and trustworthiness. Ability to work as part of a team in planning patient care. Professional demeanor and appearance. Personal fitness to pass HSE Diving Medical. Flexibility with availability.	Broad based life skills.  Current driving license.	References.  Driving license.  HSE medical.