

Job Description

Job Title	Senior Ultrasonographer (Maternity Locum)
Department	Radiology
Reports to	Radiology Services Manager
Date	May 2013

Overall Purpose of Job

To use sonography equipment to produce a virtual image of an area of a patient's body by sending high-frequency sound waves into the body; the waves bounce off bodily tissue to create the virtual image, which the sonographer then interprets. To provide exceptional patient care in an environment where quality, respect, caring and compassion are at the centre of all we do.

Key Responsibilities and Deliverables

- To undertake sonographic examinations as required; general and vascular.
- To maintain a high standard of sonography.
- To take part in on-call service as required.
- To attend regular in-house training.
- To report any defects or problems with equipment either directly to the RSM.
- To be aware of own limitations in terms of expertise and experience and not to be afraid to ask for assistance or advice from more senior staff.
- To follow directions of RSM or/and Consultant Radiologist and departmental protocols where applicable.
- To keep up-to-date with current techniques and developments in Radiographic and imaging procedures and to take part in in-service training as required. To actively participate in Continued Professional Development.
- To take responsibility for the general cleanliness, tidiness and safety of the Department, with specific responsibility for their own work area. To familiarise themselves with current infection control procedures.
- To be familiar with, and abide by, all Health and Safety Rules and recommendations.
- To report all defects and occurrences that might affect safety.
- To provide a quality service for patients by ensuring that every patient is treated as an individual in terms of courtesy, kindness, efficiency, efficacy and confidentiality.
- To participate and support research projects and undertake training of more junior or less experienced staff.
- To carry out any other duties as directed by the RSM.
- To maintain good working relationships with colleagues and with non radiographic staff, both in the Radiology Department and elsewhere in the hospital.
- Other duties assigned that are appropriate to the post.
- All posts in Radiology Services will be continually assessed in line with service requirements and changes with the development of the hospital. Consequently, the duties of the post may change.

Person Specification

Qualifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc(Hons) Diagnostic Radiography. • Qualification must be recognised and validated by the Irish Institute of Radiography. • Postgraduate diploma in Ultrasound is desirable.
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If the candidate does not possess the postgraduate diploma in ultrasound then at least 3 years experience in the area is necessary. • Experience in vascular sonography. • Demonstrate experience of working with a team of radiographers.
Job Specific Competencies and Knowledge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate ability to manage clinical and non-clinical situations. • Have proven ability to work under pressure. • Have excellent interpersonal and communication skills. • Demonstrate evidence of continuing professional development. • Have a high capacity for responsibility and individual initiative.
Personal Competencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All posts in UPMC Beacon Hospital require a high level of flexibility to ensure the delivery of an effective and efficient service. Therefore, the post holder will be required to demonstrate flexibility as and when required by their manager or hospital management.

This job description is intended to be an outline of the areas of responsibility and deliverables at the time of its writing. As the Hospital and the post holder develop, this job description may be subject to review in light of the changing needs of the Hospital.

Job Description received by employee: _____
Signature Date