

PORTSMOUTH HEALTHCARE NHS TRUST

**CLINICAL ASSISTANT, ST CHRISTOPHER'S HOSPITAL, FAREHAM -
SLOW STREAM STROKE REHABILITATION**

JOB DESCRIPTION

STROKE REHABILITATION SERVICE

From the 1st April 1994, the Department of Elderly Medicine in Portsmouth will be establishing a comprehensive stroke rehabilitation service for the over 75 age group. This will include a slow stream rehabilitation programme in locality-based beds for those patients not expected to make a rapid recovery. It is anticipated that patients will be transferred from acute stroke beds located in Queen Alexandra Hospital approximately one week after admission.

ST CHRISTOPHER'S HOSPITAL SLOW STREAM STROKE REHABILITATION

Nine slow stream stroke rehabilitation beds will be located in an upgraded portion of the ground floor wards in St Christopher's Hospital. Multi-disciplinary rehabilitation team will be led by Dr R F Logan. Medical support will be supplied by the clinical assistant with out-of-hours cover by Dr R Bellenger and Dr J Fisher's practice.

Two clinical assistant sessions are available for the care of the nine beds. The clinical assistant will be expected to attend a weekly multi-disciplinary ward round, and supply day-to-day medical support during the working week to the rehabilitation unit. The clinical assistant will not be expected to re-clerk or re-prescribe medicines immediately on the patients transfer from Queen Alexandra Hospital, they will, however, be required to assess the patient within a reasonable time of their transfer, and at other times if an urgent need is felt by the nursing staff. It will at times be necessary for the clinical assistant to communicate with Dr Logan or other members of the Department of Elderly Medicine at Queen Alexandra. Likewise they will be expected to communicate with other departments when appropriate. The clinical assistant will be most welcome at weekly departmental meetings at Queen Alexandra Hospital, and would be encouraged to gain the Diploma in Geriatric Medicine.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This post is covered by the Terms and Conditions of Service for Hospital Medical and Dental Staff, which should be read in conjunction with the General Whitley Council Conditions of Service.

Owing to the vulnerability of people receiving health care, this post is exempt from the provisions of Section 4(2) Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1977. Details of any criminal convictions you may have had must be disclosed; failure to do so could result in dismissal.

SALARY

£54.35 per session (1993 rate).

ANNUAL LEAVE

6 working weeks per annum.