#### Example Job Descriptions for First Contact Physiotherapists – (Musculoskeletal roles)

The job descriptions are set out in a detailed structure in order to provide a comprehensive and extensive outline of the scope, duties and responsibilities of the MSK FCP roles. Local job descriptions will be structured differently, and it is expected that local job description templates will be used in extracting the information from the CSP examples.

These job descriptions are structured around four main areas of responsibility:

- Clinical skills and application/use of expert practice
- Leadership in development/provision of FCP service
- Educational and provision of peer support
- Research and audit

These are then broken down into key areas that include:

- Scope of role
- Accountabilities
- Clinical responsibilities
- Service responsibilities
- Working relationships/Communication
- Workforce development/education responsibilities
- Research and audit responsibilities

#### Distinction between indicative AfC Band 7 and 8A

In order to distinguish between the two roles, which are AfC indicative bands 7-8a in the Network Contract DES, these documents will refer to the roles as either indicative AfC Band 7 or 8a.

## First Contact Physiotherapist (musculoskeletal conditions)

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PCNs are able to design the job descriptions for the relevant roles over a broad range of responsibilities. However, PCNs must ensure that in order to be acceptable for reimbursement through the Network Contract DES Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme, they contain as a minimum the role requirements outlined in section B, which can be found <u>here</u>.

Job Title: First Contact Physiotherapist (musculoskeletal conditions)

Responsible to:	To be determined by the PCN	
Accountable to:	To be determined by the PCN	
Hours of work:	To be determined by the PCN	
Salary:	To be determine by the PCN [note: the role outline and reimbursement is based on indicative AfC Band 8a]	

#### Supervision

To ensure the role is supported within primary care, PCNs must ensure that the postholder has access to appropriate clinical supervision and an appropriate named individual in the PCN to provide general advice and support on a day to day basis.

## Scope of the Role

- 1. be the first point of clinical contact for patients presenting with MSK conditions or symptoms, providing the patient with the primary assessment, diagnosis and management options for their condition
- 2. use advanced clinical practice skills and clinical reasoning to provide comprehensive diagnostic and treatment support to patients who present with complex musculoskeletal conditions and/or multiple pathologies and/or mental health and/or pain management needs
- 3. be the link between primary, community and acute services, when the patient is managed via primary care ensuring an integrated care pathway for individual patients that meets their needs. This will include provision of triage to other services and/or directly providing management and advice
- 4. lead on and develop effective communication between primary care services/GP practices and other relevant care providers
- 5. initiate, develop, and maintain relationships with MDTs, orthopaedic and physiotherapy consultant teams in the community and acute settings.

- 6. Where appropriate, develop relationships with wider health and social care agencies, for example mental health teams, local authorities, third sector providers and patient groups
- 7. provide leadership and support on MSK clinical and service development across the PCN, alongside learning opportunities for the whole multidisciplinary team (MDT) within primary care
- 8. provide highly specialist advice on issues ranging from the provision of expert opinion on individual patient treatment options to be a primary contributor to MSK services and related pathway development.
- encourage collaborative working across the health economy and be a key contributor to the primary care networks providing leadership and support on MSK clinical and service development across the network
- 10. work independently, without day to day supervision, to assess, diagnose, triage, and manage patients, taking responsibility for prioritising and managing a caseload of the PCN's registered patients
- 11. receive patients who self-refer (where systems permit) or from a clinical professional within the PCN, and where required refer to other health professionals within the PCN
- 12. work as part of an MDT in a patient facing role, using their expert knowledge of movement and function issues, to create stronger links for wider services through clinical leadership, teaching and evaluation
- 13. develop integrated and tailored care programmes in partnership with patients, providing a range of first line treatment options including self-management, referral to rehabilitation focussed services and social prescribing
- 14. make use of their full scope of practice, developing skills relating to independent prescribing, injection therapy and investigation to make professional judgements and decisions in unpredictable situations, including when provided with incomplete or contradictory information. Take responsibility for making and justifying these decisions
- 15. manage complex interactions, including working with patients with psychosocial and mental health needs, referring onwards as required and including social prescribing when appropriate
- 16. implement all aspects of effective clinical governance for own practice, including undertaking regular audit and evaluation, supervision and training
- 17. develop integrated and tailored care programmes in partnership with patients through:
  - a. effective shared decision-making with a range of first line management options (appropriate for a patient's level of activation)
  - assessing levels of Patient Activation to support a patient's own level of knowledge, skills and confidence to self-manage their conditions, ensuring they are able to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of self-management interventions, particularly for those at low levels of activation
  - c. agreeing with patient's appropriate support for self-management through referral to rehabilitation focussed services and wider social prescribing as appropriate
- 18. designing and implementing plans that facilitate behavioural change, optimise patients' physical activity and mobility, support fulfilment of personal goals and independence, and reduce the need for pharmacological interventions

## Clinical

- 19. request and progress investigations (such as x-rays and blood tests) and referrals to facilitate the diagnosis and choice of treatment regime including, considering the limitations of these investigations, interpret and act on results and feedback to aid patients' diagnoses and management plans and
- 20. carry own caseload as an autonomous practitioner, providing direct clinical/ physiotherapeutic care for patients with a range of complex musculo-skeletal conditions and who may have significant other primary or secondary conditions/multi-pathologies
- 21. be able to decide when appropriate to use advanced clinical practice skills that may include:
  - a. joint/soft tissue injection therapy, including administration of prescription only medication [POM] to aid treatment.
  - b. joint aspirations
  - c. non-medical prescribing
- 22. use professional judgement and advanced clinical reasoning skills to make decisions about safe and effective patient care in unpredictable situations, including when there is incomplete/contradictory information
- 23. be able to demonstrate understanding of the impact of physiotherapeutic interventions on existing conditions and treatment programmes e.g. podiatric treatment, drug therapies, etc.
- 24. Ensuring physiotherapy interventions are integrated and supportive of the whole treatment aims promoting a holistic approach to condition management
- 25. be able to clinically justify referral onto appropriate MSK pathways within the community or wider healthcare services. Including referral to the appropriate stage of the pathway and the use of social prescribing
- 26. for patients that remain the responsibility of primary care services, take the lead for the management of the patient's journey on their care pathway, acting as the link for the patient between primary care and other services/ professionals
- 27. be able to justify clinically referrals to other specialist services. This will include referral to acute and specialist services such as surgical orthopaedics, rheumatology and neurology, other AHP services, nursing services and to the primary care medical teams
- 28. recognise RED flags, serious pathology and potential underlying non-MSK related disease, that may present as MSK symptoms and to refer appropriately. When needed accelerate the patient's referral to other health professionals/services
- 29. work in partnership with the patient at all times to attain maximum participation in treatment programmes. This will include working with patients from diverse social background and cultures and understanding how this will affect treatment proposals and models
- 30. provide expert advice and act as source of expertise in the management of musculoskeletal conditions and provide a specialist advisory service to patients, specialist physiotherapists other specialist healthcare professionals and members of the primary care team, including advising GPs on management of MSK conditions
- 31. provide clear advice, instruction and teaching on aspects of management of a condition to patients, relatives, carers and other health professionals

- 32. continually review and develop specialist clinical and diagnostic skills in response to service need
- 33.be accountable for own decisions and actions via HCPC registration and professional standards

#### Service/Professional Leadership/Consultancy

- 34. integrate the FCP role into the wider primary care team, proactively working with the primary care team to build robust relationships and integrate working practices.
- 35. attending primary care strategic and practice level meetings to represent FCP/physiotherapy when appropriate.
- 36. be the FCP/ physiotherapy lead on the development of referral guidelines for MSK and MSK related conditions from primary care to other NHS services that will direct referrals to other primary care services, community, secondary and tertiary [specialist] services
- 37. lead or be a primary contributor to the development of MSK pathways across the primary care network, NHS providers across the health economy. This includes contributing to pathways that are not primary MSK pathways, but which have MSK interventions along the pathway
- 38. work collaboratively with the primary care team, including working across the Primary Care Network [PCN] and also in partnership with business managers, professional managers and lead clinicians of secondary, community and other care providers to improve service delivery and meet the identified needs of the local patient population
- 39. use influence and contribution to the PCN to promote the contribution of FCPs to MSK services in primary care and to the wider related services in the health economy
- 40. work with the primary care team, public health professionals and other agencies to introduce a strand of service provision that highlights preventative strategies for local populations, patient groups and individuals
- 41. participate and lead in ensuring a professional culture of peer networking and support underpinned by active engagement in peer review and embracing evidence-based practice
- 42. demonstrate a detailed knowledge of wider health, healthcare and social care agencies related to MSK conditions and physiotherapy
- 43. review and develop organisational and service policies that support the maintenance of good clinical governance, manage risk and ensure patient safety is paramount
- 44. take responsibility for the introduction, monitoring and review of service standards for MSK primary care services, including clinical, professional and service standards
- 45. be aware of and able to demonstrate of how the FCP role contributes to the achievement of key performance indicators [KPIs] for MSK primary care services
- 46. where service improvement is required in order to achieve standards and KPIs be a lead contributor to identifying where services need to be changed
- 47. take forward operational change within primary care MSK services to deliver improvements in service standards.

- 48. when introducing change, be aware of and responsible for identifying and managing alternative/contradictory views expressed by services and specialist clinicians. For example, when negotiating and explaining proposals to change to service design, organisation and skill mix in primary care and related MSK services
- 49. participate in or lead investigation into complaints and clinical errors/incidents when appropriate.

#### **Education/Workforce Development**

- 50. provide and receive clinical supervision and be an active provider of mentoring and coaching of specialist clinicians from a range of disciplines
- 51. maintain a professional portfolio of knowledge and skills, at advanced clinical practice level, through participation in internal and external development opportunities
- 52. actively work across the Primary Care Network to identify skill and workforce gaps in MSK and FCP services and contribute to local workforce plans

#### **Research and Evaluation**

- 53. promote the integration of evidence-based practice and national guidelines into own and local FCP MSK service practice. Use expert knowledge of evidence-based guidelines and national frameworks to influence the development of FCP services across the PCN
- 54. lead or participate in research and MDT research projects as appropriate. This may include participation in cross organisational research and audit programmes
- 55. present and disseminate research and clinical audit findings across the PCN and wider service providers as required. Provide analysis of local and national data sets to illustrate service improvements and to promote service change
- 56. promote the inclusion of FCPs in regional, multi-disciplinary and/or local cross organisational research projects
- 57. maintain and up-date audit and data derived from a range of data sets in order provide statistical reports on outcome measures and achievement of KPIs for a range of audiences
- 58. use audit and research to develop and improve service guidelines, care protocols, delivery of triage services and referral pathways

#### **Communication/Building Networks**

- 59. take the lead in communicating and influencing across the PCN the benefits of the FCP role in primary care
- 60. promote and explain the FCP role and what it can deliver to a range of audiences including patient groups, patient population, individual patients and other primary care providers and linked services
- 61. communicate effectively and appropriately with patients and carers, including:
  - a. explaining the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment choices available to manage multi-pathology and complex conditions

b. communicating limitations on treatment outcomes and managing expectations of patients with chronic or life limiting conditions

Further information can also be found in The CSP General Practice Guidance here.

## **Person Specification**

Element	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul> <li>BSc degree in Physiotherapy</li> <li>Health &amp; Care Professions Council (HCPC) registration</li> <li>can demonstrate working at Level 7 [within the ACP framework] capability in MSK related areas of practice or equivalent (such as advanced assessment diagnosis and treatment)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pre-reg MSc degree in Physiotherapy or equivalent</li> <li>completed or working towards a Supplementary Prescribing qualification</li> <li>non-medical prescribing qualification</li> </ul>
Knowledge	<ul> <li>significant leadership and experience in applying the physiotherapy process to include MSK assessment, interpretation, individual care planning, motivation, monitoring and evaluation of highly specialised MSK treatment</li> <li>strong knowledge of Microsoft and GPIT systems, alongside prescribing data monitoring systems</li> <li>experience of senior level decision making and delivery in a changing environment</li> <li>experience of supervision of specialist staff/ line management</li> <li>experience of working with a diverse range of stakeholders/providing leadership within the MSK pathway</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>working towards advanced clinical practitioner status</li> <li>experience of supervision/ line management</li> <li>experience of working with a diverse range of stakeholders</li> <li>strong knowledge of cognitive behavioural and motivational interviewing approaches / skills</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>ability to lead and manage change across own service and wider MDT team/services.</li> <li>ability to integrate latest evidence-based practice into services and ability to use to lead change across a pathway/range of providers</li> </ul>	
Analytical skills	<ul> <li>able to understand and analyse complex issues and balance competing priorities in order to make difficult decisions</li> <li>ability to analyse and interpret complex/ often incomplete information, pre- empt and evaluate issues, and recommend and appropriate course of action to address the issues</li> <li>experience of work within a primary setting</li> <li>evidence of work across organisat boundaries withi and social care</li> <li>independent thin demonstrated go judgement, prob solving and anal skills</li> </ul>	care king tional in health iker with pod plem-
Communication skills	<ul> <li>excellent interpersonal and organisational skills</li> <li>ability to evidence a sound understanding of the NHS principles and values</li> <li>excellent interpersonal and communication skills, able to influence and persuade others articulating a balanced view and able to constructively question information</li> <li>excellent interpersonal and communication skills, able to influence and persuade others articulating a balanced view and able to constructively question information</li> <li>build effective relationships wit range of stakeho openness, hone and confidence</li> </ul>	eams b fectively y across te h a blders l on
Personal attributes & abilities	<ul> <li>strong and inspirational leadership</li> <li>ability to co-ordinate and prioritise workloads – able to</li> <li>high degree of p credibility, emoti intelligence, pati and flexibility</li> </ul>	onal

<ul> <li>multi-task as well as be self- disciplined and highly motivated</li> <li>demonstrates a flexible approach in order to ensure patient care is delivered</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ability to cope with unpredictable situations</li> <li>confident in facilitating and challenging others</li> </ul>
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## First Contact Physiotherapist (musculoskeletal conditions)

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Accountable to:	To be determined by PCN	
Hours of work:	To be determined by PCN	
Salary:	To be determine by the PCN [note: the role outline and	
	reimbursement is based on indicative AfC Band 7]	

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## Supervision

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## Scope of the Role

- be the first point of contact for expert clinical assessment and diagnosis of patients presenting with MSK conditions in primary care/GP practices. This will include patients who present with a range of multiple needs and underlying pathologies/other primary conditions
- 2. Use of advanced assessment tools and application of expert treatment modalities/techniques will be required
- 3. be the link between primary, community and acute services, when the patient is managed via primary care ensuring an integrated care pathway for individual patients that meets their needs. This will include provision of triage to other services and/or directly providing management and advice
- 4. lead on and develop effective communication between primary care services/GP practices and other relevant care providers. Educate on the role of the FCP, its impact on referral patterns and patient care pathways
- 5. maintain strong relationships with orthopaedic consultant teams, relevant MDT and physiotherapy services in community and acute settings
- 6. where appropriate develop relationships with wider health and social care agencies, for example mental health teams, local authorities, third sector providers and patient groups
- 7. to provide leadership to primary care multi-disciplinary teams on physiotherapeutic management of MSK conditions. This will include the provision of highly specialist advice on issues ranging from the provision of expert opinion on individual patient treatment options to be a contributor to MSK services and related pathway development
- 8. work independently, without day to day supervision, to assess, diagnose, triage, and manage patients, taking responsibility for prioritising and managing a caseload of the PCN's Registered Patients
- 9. receive patients who self-refer (where systems permit) or from a clinical professional within the PCN, and where required refer to other health professionals within the PCN
- 10. work as part of a multi-disciplinary team in a patient facing role, using their expert knowledge of movement and function issues, to create stronger links for wider services through clinical leadership, teaching and evaluation
- 11. develop integrated and tailored care programmes in partnership with patients, providing a range of first line treatment options including self-management, referral to rehabilitation focussed services and social prescribing
- 12. make use of their full scope of practice, developing skills relating to independent prescribing, injection therapy and investigation to make professional judgements and decisions in unpredictable situations, including when provided with incomplete or contradictory information, and take responsibility for making and justifying these decisions
- 13. manage complex interactions, including working with patients with psychosocial and mental health needs, referring onwards as required and including social prescribing when appropriate
- 14. implement all aspects of effective clinical governance for own practice, including undertaking regular audit and evaluation, supervision and training

- 15. develop integrated and tailored care programmes in partnership with patients through:
  - a. effective shared decision-making with a range of first line management options (appropriate for a patient's level of activation)
  - assessing levels of Patient Activation to support a patient's own level of knowledge, skills and confidence to self-manage their conditions, ensuring they are able to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of self-management interventions, particularly for those at low levels of activation
  - c. agreeing with patient's appropriate support for self-management through referral to rehabilitation focussed services and wider social prescribing as appropriate
  - d. designing and implementing plans that facilitate behavioural change, optimise patient's physical activity and mobility, support fulfilment of personal goals and independence, and reduce the need for pharmacological interventions

# Clinical

- 16. use advance clinical practice skills and clinical reasoning to provide comprehensive diagnostic and treatment support patients who present with complex musculoskeletal conditions and/or multiple pathologies and/or mental health and/or pain management needs
- 17. independently request diagnostic tests including routine and specialist x-rays, MRI imaging, ultrasound scans and blood and other pathology tests. Interpret the results alongside traditional physiotherapeutic assessment techniques and non-clinical information to aid clinical diagnosis and decisions on potential treatment options/clinical interventions
- 18. carry own caseload as an autonomous practitioner, providing direct clinical/physiotherapeutic care for patients with a range of complex musculoskeletal conditions and who may have significant other primary or secondary conditions/multi-pathologies
- 19. be able to decide when appropriate to use advanced clinical practice clinical skills that may include:
  - a. joint/soft tissue injection therapy, including administration of prescription only medication [POM] to aid treatment.
  - b. joint aspirations
  - c. non-medical prescribing
- 20. use professional judgement and advanced clinical reasoning skills to make decisions about safe and effective patient care in unpredictable situations, including when there is incomplete/contradictory information
- 21. demonstrate understanding of the impact of physiotherapeutic interventions on existing conditions and treatment programmes e.g. podiatric treatment, drug therapies, etc.
- 22. ensure physiotherapy interventions are integrated and supportive of the whole treatment aims promoting a holistic approach to condition management
- 23. be able to clinically justify referral onto appropriate MSK pathways within the community or wider healthcare services, including referral to the appropriate stage of the pathway and the use of social prescribing

- 24. for patients managed as part of own caseload, take the lead for the management of the patient's journey on their care pathway, acting as the link for the patient between primary care and other services/professionals
- 25. justify clinically referrals to other specialist services. This will include referral to acute and specialist services such as surgical orthopaedics, rheumatology and neurology, other AHP services, nursing services and to the primary care medical teams. This requires advanced knowledge of the role of other specialist health professionals
- 26 recognise potential underlying non-MSK related disease and conditions that present as MSK symptoms and to refer appropriately.
- 27. when needed, accelerate the patient's referral to other health professionals/ services
- 28. work in partnership with the patient at all times to attain maximum participation in treatment programmes. This will include working with patients from diverse social background and cultures and understanding how this will affect treatment proposals and models
- 29. develop integrated and tailored care programmes in partnership with patients
- 30. use effective shared decision making with a range of first line management options (appropriate for the person's level of activation)
- 31. assess levels of Patient Activation to confirm levels of knowledge, skills and confidence to self-manage
- 32. agree appropriate support for self-management through referral to rehabilitation focussed services and social prescribing provision
- 33. provide expert advice and act as source of expertise in the management of musculoskeletal conditions and provide a specialist advisory service to patients, specialist physiotherapists other specialist healthcare professionals and members of the primary care team, including advising GPs on management of MSK conditions
- 34. provide advice, instruction and teaching on aspects of management of a condition to patients, relatives, carers and other health professionals
- 35. continually review and develop specialist clinical and diagnostic skills in response to service need
- 36. be accountable for decisions and actions via Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) registration, supported by a professional culture of peer networking/review and engagement in evidence-based practice

## Service/Professional Leadership/Consultancy

- 37. provide leadership and support on MSK clinical and service development across the PCN, alongside learning opportunities for the whole multidisciplinary team within primary care
- 38 plan and organise the FCP service efficiently, ensuring delivery in line with service expectations
- 39. integrate the FCP role into the wider primary care team, proactively working with the primary care team to build robust relationships and integrate working practices. Attending primary care strategic and practice level meetings to represent FCP/physiotherapy when appropriate
- 40. contribute to the development of referral guidelines for MSK and MSK related conditions from primary care to other NHS services that will direct referrals to other primary care services, community, secondary and tertiary [specialist] services

- 41. work collaboratively with the primary care team, including working across the PCN and also in partnership with business managers, professional managers and lead clinicians of secondary, community and other care providers to improve service delivery and meet the identified needs of the local patient population.
- 42. use influence and contribution to the PCN to promote the contribution of FCPs to MSK services in primary care and to the wider related services in the health economy.
- 43. work with the PCN team to support preventative strategies for local populations, patient groups and individuals
- 44. participate in peer networking and support underpinned by active engagement in peer review and embracing evidence-based practice
- 45. contribute to organisational and service policies that support the maintenance of good clinical governance, manage risk and ensure patient safety is paramount.
- 46. be responsible for identifying and reporting any risk/ clinical governance issues in the FCP service
- 47. contribute to monitoring and review of service standards for MSK primary care services. Including established clinical, professional and service standards
- 48. represent the PCN's FCP service offer at internal primary care meetings and at external forums/service meetings
- 49. participate in/support investigations into complaints and clinical errors/incidents when appropriate

#### **Education/Workforce Development**

- 50. participate in developing education and training of specialist physiotherapists up-to post-graduate level to support the development of advanced clinical practice skills and knowledge within the wider physiotherapy workforce
- 51. provide training and supervision, some of which maybe to postgraduate level, for specialist primary care professionals, including GPs in order for them to develop specialist MSK patient referral and management skills
- 52. provide and receive clinical supervision and be an active provider of mentoring and coaching of specialist clinicians from a range of disciplines
- 53. maintain a professional portfolio of advanced clinical practice knowledge and skills through participation in internal and external development opportunities

## **Research and Evaluation**

- 54. promote and lead the integration of evidence-based practice and national guidelines into own and local FCP MSK service practice
- 55. use expert knowledge of evidence-based guidelines and national frameworks to influence the development of FCP services within the primary care team
- 56 lead or participate in research and MDT research projects as appropriate. This may include participation in cross organisational research and audit programmes.
- 57. present and disseminate research and clinical audit findings to the primary care team as required.
- 58. Provide analysis of local and national data sets to illustrate service improvements and to promote service change

- 59. maintain an up-date audit and data derived from a range of data sets in order provide statistical reports on outcome measures and achievement of KPIs for a range of audiences
- 60. use audit and research to develop and improve service guidelines, care protocols, delivery of triage services and referral pathways

#### **Communication/Building Networks**

- 61. take the lead in communicating and influencing across the PCN the benefits of the FCP role in primary care
- 62. promote and explain the FCP role and what it can deliver to a range of audiences including patient groups, individual patients and other primary care team members, including GPs
- 63. communicate effectively and appropriately with patients and their carers. This will include explaining the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment choices available to manage multi-pathology and complex conditions. It will also involve communicating limitations on treatment outcomes and managing expectations of patients with chronic or life limiting conditions

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Element	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications	<ul> <li>BSc degree in Physiotherapy</li> <li>Health &amp; Care Professions Council (HCPC) registration</li> <li>can demonstrate working at Level 7 [within the ACP framework] capability in MSK related areas of practice or equivalent (such as advanced assessment diagnosis and treatment)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>MSc degree in Physiotherapy</li> <li>completed or working towards a Supplementary Prescribing qualification</li> <li>non-medical prescribing qualification</li> </ul>
Knowledge	<ul> <li>experience in applying the physiotherapy process to include MSK assessment, interpretation, individual care planning, motivation, monitoring and evaluation of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>working towards advanced clinical practitioner status</li> <li>previous supervisory experience</li> </ul>

#### Person Specification

	<ul> <li>highly specialized MSK treatment</li> <li>working knowledge of Microsoft and GPIT systems, alongside prescribing data monitoring systems</li> <li>experience of contributing to and service delivery/evolving evidence led practice and delivery in a changing environment</li> <li>ability to demonstrate leadership when introducing change.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>experience of working with a diverse range of stakeholders</li> <li>cognitive behavioural and motivational interviewing approaches / skills</li> </ul>
Analytical skills	<ul> <li>able to understand and analyse complex issues and balance competing priorities in order to make difficult clinical decisions.</li> <li>support individual patient care by an ability to analyse and interpret complex clinical/ often incomplete information, pre-empt and evaluate issues, and recommend and appropriate course of action to address the issues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>experience of working within a primary care setting</li> <li>evidence of working across organisational boundaries within health and social care</li> <li>independent thinker with demonstrated good judgement, problem-solving and analytical skills</li> </ul>
Communication skills	<ul> <li>excellent interpersonal and organisational skills</li> <li>ability to evidence a sound understanding of the NHS principles and values</li> <li>excellent interpersonal and communication skills, able to influence and persuade others articulating a balanced view and able to constructively question information</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>evidence of inspiring and motivating teams with the ability to communicate passionately, effectively.</li> <li>ability to negotiate effectively within the MDT or across a range of services/providers.</li> </ul>
Personal attributes & abilities	<ul> <li>ability to co-ordinate and prioritise workloads – able to multi-task as well as be self-</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>high degree of personal credibility, emotional intelligence,</li> </ul>

	disciplined and highly motivated	patience and flexibility
•	<ul> <li>demonstrates a flexible approach in order to ensure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ability to cope with unpredictable situations</li> </ul>
patient care is delivered	patient care is delivered	<ul> <li>confident in facilitating and challenging others</li> </ul>