



The ROYAL MARSDEN

NHS Foundation Trust

Job Features Form

Main job characteristics for the post of **Drs (EPP Workers)**

The post may include the following but is not exhaustive; please add any that are not listed and might be subject to change as required by the Trust.

Job features	Tick	Job features	Tick	Job features	Tick
Exposure prone procedures *	✓	Hazardous substances	✓	Extreme temperature (hot or cold environment)	
Patient contact	✓	Managing people	✓	Working with hard wood dust	
Exposure to body fluids	✓	Ionising radiation		Working in a stressful environment	✓
Food handling		Driving as part of the job			
Night work or unsocial hours	✓	Waste handling			
Lone working		Manual handling	✓		
Working with children/vulnerable adults	✓	Specialist equipment, for example power hammers			
Working at heights for example using ladders		Overseas travel for work purposes	✓		
Working with animals		Working in confined spaces			

ALL STAFF IN THIS GROUP ARE TO BE SEEN IN OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH (OH) PRIOR TO OR ON THE FIRST DAY OF WORKING IN THE TRUST. Without documentary clearance from the occupational health department at The Royal Marsden Hospital or Chelsea and Westminster Hospital new employees are not permitted to undertake exposure prone procedures.

Taking all immunisation details to the appointment in OH might help prevent any delays.

***Exposure prone procedure (EPP)**

“Exposure prone procedures (EPP) are those where there is a risk that injury to the worker may result in the exposure of the patient’s open tissues to the blood of the worker. These include procedures where the worker’s gloved hands may be in contact with sharp instruments, needle tips and sharp tissues (e.g.spicules of bone or teeth) inside the patients open body cavity, wound or confined anatomical space where the hands or fingertips may not be completely visible at all times”.*Department of Health 1998, General Principles of*

BBV Infection Control and Exposure Prone Procedures The new employee must contact the occupational health department to make the necessary arrangements to be seen. The manager is responsible for ensuring that the individual attends and on completion an attendance form will be stamped by occupational health.

Department managers where the exposure prone procedures are undertaken are responsible for ensuring that clearance has been received before the procedure has been commenced.

Contact details:-

The Royal Marsden Hospital (Chelsea) 0207 808 2139 or (Sutton) 0208661 3003

EPP Workers are required to be seen in Occupational Health **before** commencing Exposure Prone Procedures. Only when clearance is given by OH will the worker be allowed to commence EPP.

Staff categorised as EPP workers

- *All surgeons*
- *All theatre nurses*
- *All ODA/ODP's*
- *All dentists, dental hygienists and dental nurses*