

FAMILY DOCTORS WANTED FOR EXCITING OPPORTUNITY IN UK

General Practitioner Opportunity

Medicisearch is searching for family doctors to work for a UK based Healthcare organisation called Portsmouth Healthcare Limited (PHL) as a General Practitioner (family doctor) in Hampshire, which is a pretty region on the south coast of England.

What the work involves

General Practitioners (GPs) in the UK, much like family doctors in Italy, work with patients from within their local communities to provide medical care. GPs in the UK take account of physical, emotional and social factors when diagnosing illness and recommending the required treatment for their patients.

GPs in the UK often work within a GP Group Practice with between 2 to 10 GP colleagues. GPs work alongside other healthcare professionals in the practice, including nurses and therapists to discuss care options for patients and their families, and to help patients take responsibility for their own health. GPs also refer patients to hospital or other clinics for further assessment or treatment.

Patients register at their local GP Practice as part of the services provided by the National Health Service (NHS). There are almost 8,000 GP Practices in the UK and on average each practice has a list of 7,000 registered patients.

The role of a UK GP is busy but fulfilling, and professional development and service quality are a key focus.

Working as a GP for PHL has been rewarding and challenging particularly in my role as an 'out of hours' GP dealing with more complex patients—it's also incredibly exciting..."

Dr Tim Wright, GP





Why come and work in the UK?

The governance structures and monitoring of GP performance is very thorough, but once you have gained full accreditation and have been accepted on to the UK 'Medical Performers List' you will be guaranteed employment through PHL at attractive rates of pay. PHL will also provide opportunities for career advancement and the chance to develop specialist skills in a diverse range of clinical settings.

Why the South Coast of England?

The south coast of England is fondly referred to as 'the English Riviera' and the surrounding countryside of Hampshire is picturesque and well served by many coastal towns and the two main cities of Portsmouth and Southampton. The county of Hampshire boasts two national parks, being the South Downs and the New Forest, which provide a playground for those into adventure sports or simply for a leisurely weekend stroll. Portsmouth is only one hour away from central London by train and there is an airport in Southampton.

Ongoing Training and Development

To ensure that you keep your knowledge and skills up to date, you will be required to undertake 50 hours of continuous professional development (CPD) per year, CPD covers the development of your knowledge, skills, attitudes and behaviours across all areas of your professional practice. PHL will support you in maintaining your CPD, which includes both formal and informal learning activities.

All GPs have annual appraisals, which will be carried out by a trained Hampshire appraiser. The appraisals enable GPs to continuously improve and reflect on the quality of their practice and this helps with the early identification of doctors in difficulty, so that they can be offered appropriate support. You will need to bring a summary of your CPD activities to your annual appraisal to show that you have met the requirements for revalidation. In addition, the Medical Director for PHL will undertake an appraisal annually with you which can then be shared with your main appraiser.

You will be provided with further advice on guidance on CPD and preparation for appraisals when you start with PHL.

Hours of Work

GPs in the UK can operate on a 24 hour basis, 7 days per week. Traditionally patients make an appointment to see their GP during normal office hours, which are typically Monday to Friday from 09:00 – 18:00. Outside these hours, all patients have access to a GP 'Out-of-hours (OOH) Service'.

During the evenings, nights, weekends and public holidays, patients call a dedicated telephone number to discuss their medical symptoms and if considered appropriate, patients are then transferred to the OOH service. A GP from the OOH service will telephone the patient and make an initial assessment, at which point the GP may ask the patient to attend a local 'Out-of-Hours' clinic or a GP can be sent to visit the patient in their home to diagnose, treat or refer the patient as necessary.

Pay

Whilst the GPs are working in a placement through the Induction and Refresher scheme in order to achieve acceptance on the Medical Performers List they will receive £2,300 every 4 weeks from the GP Deanery.

Upon joining PHL, GPs will be paid the following salary per annum based on working 40 hours per week undertaking a mixture of both 'in-hours' GP family Practice work and 'Out-of-hours' duties:

Year One: £60,000

Year Two: £70,000

Year three: £80,000

Paid holidays are 25 days per year, plus an additional 8 days to cover for Public Holidays, offering 33 days of paid holidays in total.

PHL will also pay the GP Professional Indemnity insurance for the contracted 40 hour week, which is worth in excess of £9,000 per annum.

GPs can also work additional hours if required, which PHL is keen to promote. If a GP chose to work on average a further 10 hours per week over and above the guaranteed 40 hours for the year, this would equate to an additional income of approximately £20,000 per annum.

In addition to the above, PHL will also contribute a further £2,000 towards accommodation and any incurred travel costs to the GP whilst they are training to become an approved and accredited UK GP. The £2,000 will be paid to the GP once they are fully accredited and join PHL.

PHL can also assist in providing accommodation and travel arrangements for the GPs for the first 6 months of being in the UK.

Contact Us

For more information about this extremely exciting career opportunity with PHL please send an email to: info@medicisearch.it