

Job description

Mobile Cardiac Radiographer

Location:	Cardiac Mobiles – various locations across the UK and Ireland
Reports to:	Lead Mobile Cardiac Radiographer
Working with:	Patients, Colleagues, Clinicians, Cardiac Interims Operational Team, NHS and HSE Trust and Private hospital support staff, Operations Manager, Clinical Lead for Interventional Cardiology, Head Office Support Functions

Introduction:

This role is aimed at an experienced Cardiac Radiographer with a BSc Diagnostic Radiography degree or equivalent and registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC), specialising in Cardiac Catheter Laboratory services to:

- Work as part of a multidisciplinary team in the delivery of high-quality care and patient-focused services to patients undergoing cardiac procedures in mobile and static Cardiac Units.
- Provide cardiac radiography that is delivered to the highest standards of quality, efficiency and safety.

What you will do:

As a Mobile Cardiac Radiographer at InHealth, you will make healthcare better for our patients, demonstrating research-based practices to consistently deliver a safe and effective service every day. You will work as part of an empathic and caring multidisciplinary team to deliver a high standard of care in compliance with company and departmental policies and procedures. You will act at all times in accordance with the HCPC's code of professional conduct and provide clinical expertise for the day to day operations of the Cardiac Units.

What you are responsible for:

Clinical/ Technical

- Undertaking unsupervised imaging procedures in line with existing modality specific clinical guidelines and protocols including but not exclusive to MHRA Guidance 2007, IRMER 2017, IRR17, Code of Clinical Practice, InHealth policies.
- Following modality specific protocols including all necessary patient identification, preparation and safety checks, equipment and consumables prior to the patient procedure.
- Ensuring accurate documentation is efficiently recorded in the patients' electronic and written integrated care plan (ICP) where appropriate at each site.

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- Deliver safe and appropriate patient care pre and post procedure (where applicable).
- Ensuring a consistent approach to cardiac radiography practice, adhering to Health and Safety, Risk Management and Information Governance policies.
- Ensuring all faults with clinical equipment used for the provision of patient care are reported immediately in line with InHealth processes.

Operational and Governance

- Following the requirements of the Data Protection Act (1984) and GDPR, ensuring that confidentiality of information regarding staff and patients is maintained at all times.
- Running daily Quality Assurance checks on technical equipment relevant to the role, and action as appropriate.
- Ensuring all safety checks on equipment and the unit itself are completed prior to the patient procedure.
- Being fully conversant with the content of the resuscitation trolley and the function of the defibrillator.
- Ensuring you are fully conversant with fire and evacuation procedures, emergency procedures and patient transfer policies.
- Maintaining a clean and safe working environment, in line with infection control guidelines.
- Ensuring daily/monthly audits are completed and submitted to the Lead Mobile Cardiac Radiographer within the required timeframe.
- Ensuring that appropriate personal protective clothing and equipment is worn and used when undertaking clinical sessions and that infection control and radiation protection guidelines are adhered to.
- Ensuring due regard is given to the customs, values and spiritual beliefs of patients and to ensure patients views are sought and taken into account in the decision-making process
- Delivering safe manual handover or electronic transfer of all patient identifiable information and images to the customer at the end of each case or the end of each clinical day as appropriate at each site.
- Reporting all concerns, incidents, near misses and complaints in line with Company Policy, dual reporting on hospital systems where required and assisting in the submission, recording and investigation of incidents according to InHealth policy.
- When working in the lab environment, being aware of IRMER regulations and ensure safety equipment, monitoring badges and protective lead is worn.
- Assisting with maintaining adequate stock levels and providing hTrak data inputting, ensuring that stock and equipment is ordered at the end of each clinical session in line with InHealth procedures, and any delivered stock is put away in preparation for the next clinical day.
- Ensuring all necessary consumables and equipment are accurately and safely prepared prior to commencement of each clinical procedure.
- Maintaining a high level of professionalism, customer care, and service provision, acting at all times in a professional and caring manner towards patients, visitors and colleagues.
- Establishing and maintain effective communication channels with clinical and non-clinical colleagues.
- Adhering to all operational procedures as outlined by the Company.
- To support the on-call service (where required).

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- Providing clinical and professional support to any new team members/students as appropriate, within the clinical environment.
- Take ownership and fulfil any required statutory and mandatory training including, Immediate Life Support (ILS) training.
- Take ownership of maintaining competence and continuous learning using on the job training and experiences, reflective practice and CPD to ensure skills and knowledge are up to date and developed, particularly with new procedures and equipment.
- Assisting with the development of link roles/audits and deputise for your Lead Mobile Cardiac Radiographer for audit completion during periods of annual leave/sickness.

This is not a restrictive list of duties and all members of InHealth may be required to carry out additional tasks within their capability. All members of staff are required to participate in appraisals, self-development, mandatory and statutory training.

What people see in you:

- A team player who is supportive of the wider team, reliable and trustworthy, who gets stuck in and creates a positive atmosphere.
- A person who naturally instils confidence in everyone they work with.
- Someone who thrives on and is calm and focused in challenging situations, working well under pressure and in emergency situations.
- Someone who is approachable, dedicated and hardworking.
- A professional, empathetic and courteous individual with excellent communication and a passion for Cardiology.
- A people person who enjoys working alongside others and has a positive influence on their work.
- A creative thinker.
- An organised individual who shows initiative and can effectively manage their time.

You will:

- Be an experienced Cardiac Radiographer with a degree in Diagnostic Radiography or equivalent.
- Have at least 2 years' post qualifying experience.
- Have evidence of continuous professional development (CPD) since qualifying.
- Have a keen interest in cardiology with knowledge of cardiac and vascular anatomy and physiology.
- Be eligible to drive in the UK.
- Have demonstrable experience of working in the Cardiac Catheter Laboratory environment with all relevant equipment.
- Have awareness of Health and safety requirements within the clinical/workplace setting.

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- Be prepared to undertake travel (UK and Ireland) and to stay away from home.
- Undergo recognition of your professional qualification and registration with CORU (Ireland's Health and Social Care Professionals Council).
- Follow all safety protocols and infection control requirements, including but not exclusive to lead protection, splash goggles etc.
- Have experienced in dealing with customers and/or patients and know how to handle their queries effectively and sensitively.
- Have excellent verbal and written communication skills.
- Have good listening skills with an ability to present information in a logical manner.
- Be flexible in your working patterns to fulfil clinical requirements and be willing to adjust these at short notice to accommodate unexpected changes.
- Have good organisation skills.
- Be able to follow instructions to support both your colleagues and patients.

You have experience of:

- BLS as a minimum with a desire to be ILS competent.
- Ideally working within a mobile environment.
- Working within a multi-disciplinary team.
- Working within a fast-paced environment.
- Working in a customer facing role alongside a multi-professional team.
- Using Microsoft packages and other IT systems proving competent with computer literacy skills.
- Incident reporting and investigation.