

Job Title

Junior Physiotherapist

Salary range	Point 42
Contract	Full-time 52 week
Main location	Portland College
Hours and basis	37.5 per week
Reports to	Senior Physiotherapist & Physiotherapy Manager
Date of issue	May 2022

#### Why Portland College needs this role

Portland College is a vibrant national college for people with a wide range of disabilities and associated learning difficulties. We strive to develop every learner's unimagined potential with personalised programmes. We can offer a wide variety of training and development and pride ourselves on having highly skilled staff. The Physiotherapy team deliver a high quality service to learners, college citizens and private clients with a wide range of disabilities including, Acquired Brain Injury, Autism, Cerebral Palsy and Learning Disabilities.

What you will be doing

Reporting to the Physiotherapy Managers you will work as part of a team of Physiotherapists and Physiotherapy Assistants as part of a wider Multi-Disciplinary Team consisting of Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists and educational professionals.

You will as part of the Physiotherapy team:

- Hold clinical responsibility for a caseload of academic learners and private clients.
- Undertake assessment of individuals with complex pathologies and communication difficulties.
- Treat learners individually or in a group, in accordance with treatment protocols
- Encourage learners to partake in an active approach to regaining and maintaining independence. This requires empathy, sensitivity and exceptional interpersonal skills.
- Use effective and appropriate communication skills, to assist with treatment programmes. Especially for learners who may have difficulty understanding exercises etc.
- Undertake treatments utilising a variety of modalities including gym work, exercise prescription, use of trampoline, aquatic physiotherapy, virtual reality and classroom-based interventions.
- Work without direct supervision.
- Set SMART goals for treatment periods, review progress and modify goals and treatments as required.
- Be constantly striving for the best level of physiotherapy support for the people we work with.



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- Instruct students, carers, tutors, learning support assistants and personal assistants on mobility and physical therapy activities and demonstrate the safe use of equipment.
- Work within own scope of practice.
- Make accurate records of work undertaken and keep accurate activity records, in line with CSP and departmental guidelines.
- To liaise with internal and external professionals and services when necessary regarding student care, highlighting any variations to expected outcomes.
- Complete written reports and correspondence as required to a high standard.
- To attend any 'in-service' training provided and actively participate in the delivery.
- Hold supervision responsibility for Physiotherapy assistants.
- Training newly appointed staff in elements of student care, safety and induction into the department.
- Contribute to student care and promote cross College working, by attending relevant team and departmental meetings.
- Gather initial information regarding the students from medical notes, databases, handovers, MDT meetings, as required.
- Assist other physiotherapists in the delivery of their caseload.
- Carry out safe moving and handling practice, for moderately to severely dependent clients within the College, on a daily basis. In accordance with planned programmes of care and moving and handling guidelines

# Key results we want to see from this role

- Positive client outcomes.
- Working to a high standard independently within the team.
- Development of knowledge of the specific neurological, physical and psychological needs of the group of people we work with.
- Motivation and passion to improve quality of life and promote independence.
- Work flexibly and collaboratively across a multi-disciplinary team to meet student and citizen's needs.
- Maintenance of a high quality hydrotherapy service including contributing to developing the pool and changing facilities in response to demand.
- Assistance with the development and expansion of the physiotherapy service

Dimensions of the role

• Work as part of the Physiotherapy team supporting learners, citizens and private clients to develop independence in a variety of settings.



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# Role Profile

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#### Key work relationships

- Team members
- Learners / Citizens and their families/carers
- Private clients
- Speech and Language Therapy Team
- Occupational Therapy Team
- External maintenance providers
- Tutors and LSA's

### Other information

Portland College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its learners, customers, volunteers and staff. We expect all our staff to be aware of their responsibilities to protect learners, citizens, customers, volunteers and staff from abuse or harm and to promote Fundamental British Values.

Successful applicants will be required to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check and to provide proof of their right to work in the UK.

# Other Duties & Responsibilities

- Such other duties as the management may from time to time reasonably require
- To support the development of the Learning & Teaching functions as and when required
- As part of this role your CSP fees will currently be funded by college

The above role profile is not all encompassing and is subject to regular review.

### Signature of post holder

Date

I have read and accept the duties and responsibilities outlined in this role profile.