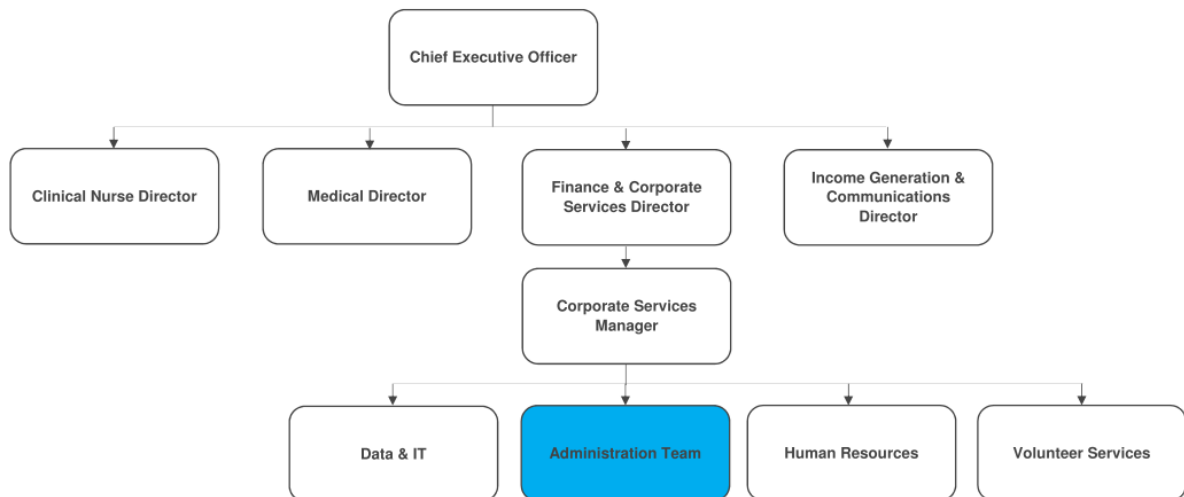


JOB DESCRIPTION

Job Title:	Ward Clerk
Department:	Administration
Post Holder:	tbc
Grade:	Admin 1
Reports to:	Corporate Services Manager
Responsible for:	N/A

Organisation Chart:



The duties and responsibilities of this post have been assessed as levels of competence required and reflect the skill and knowledge needed to satisfactorily perform the duties of the post.

Job Purpose:	<p>To provide a full and effective administrative support service to the Clinical Teams of the In Patient Unit and the Wellbeing Hub.</p> <p>To provide cover for colleagues in both the Ward and the Hub areas as well as on the main reception desk.</p> <p>To liaise with patients and their families, as directed, and to sensitively deal with bereaved relatives.</p>
Key Working Relationships:	<p>Corporate Services Manager</p> <p>Senior Ward Clerk</p> <p>Service Lead IPU</p> <p>Clinical & Medical Teams</p> <p>Administration Team</p>

Role Responsibilities:

- Manage all paperwork and computer records associated with the admission and discharge of patients.
- Administer all patient referrals, including liaison with GP surgeries and other external bodies.
- Update the Electronic Patient Record System, including scanning patient data, ensuring the availability of up-to-date records for clinical staff.
- Liaise with patients and their families to obtain essential information, to ensure patient biographical data is updated.
- Ensure and maintain patient confidentiality, distribution of patient information and organise the safe collection and destruction of confidential waste.
- Complete incident/accident forms in line with Health & Safety regulations and the hospice's policy.
- Deliver the photocopying, scanning, emailing and filing requirements of the Clinical Team.
- Answer the telephone.
- Assist in the provision of holiday cover for the Senior Ward Clerk, Ward & Medical Administrator and other administration colleagues.
- Provide regular cover on reception.
- Arrange patient transport.
- General upkeep and housekeeping of the nurses' station.
- Place regular orders for specialist procurement through NHS supplies and other suppliers.
- Any other duties as specified by the Corporate Services Manager.

General Responsibilities:**Health and Safety**

All employees have a duty to report and accidents, complaints, defects in equipment, near misses and untoward incidents, following hospice procedure. Ensure health and safety legislation is complied with at all times, including COSHH and Workplace Assessment.

Confidentiality

All information relating to patients, patients' families, staff, volunteers, supporters and suppliers gained through your employment with Bolton Hospice is confidential. Disclosure to any unauthorised person is a serious disciplinary offence.

Infection Control

Prevent spread of infection. Comply with policies and procedures for correct disposal of waste, sharps and soiled linen.

Safeguarding Vulnerable People (Children and Adults)

All employees have a responsibility to protect and safeguard vulnerable people (children and adults). They must be aware of child and adult protection procedures and who to contact within the Hospice for further advice. All employees are required to attend safeguarding awareness training and to undertake additional training appropriate to their role.

Disclosure & Barring Service Check

This post is subject to a Disclosure & Barring Service check.

Continuous Personal Development

You are responsible for your own professional development, identifying training and development needs to your line manager and completing all mandatory training as required. You must attend any specialist training and development activities relevant to your role within the hospice.

Valuing Equality and Diversity

All hospice staff should carry out their duties in accordance with the values and principles of our Equality and Diversity strategy. It is the responsibility of all employees to support the hospice commitment to do all we can to ensure we do not exclude, alienate or discriminate in any way and to promote a positive attitude to equality and diversity in adherence to our Equality and Diversity policy.

Living Our Values Everyday

All staff must actively support the vision, aim and values of the hospice, promoting our core values at all times and in all aspects of your work.



The range of duties and responsibilities outlined above are indicative only and are intended to give a broad flavour of the range and type of duties that will be allocated. They are subject to modification in the light of changing service demands and the development requirements of the post holder.

This job description is an outline of the main responsibilities. It will be subject to periodic review and amendment.

Employee Name:			
Employee Signature:		Date:	

Manager Name:			
Manager Signature:		Date:	

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Job Title:	Ward Clerk
Department:	Administration
Grade:	Admin 1

The person specification sets out the qualifications, experience, skills, knowledge and personal attributes which the post holder requires to perform the job to a satisfactory level.

	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	METHOD OF ASSESSMENT
QUALIFICATIONS	Good level of general education, with a minimum of GCSE English and Maths at or above Grade C, or equivalent qualification.	NVQ Level 2 in Administration, or equivalent qualification.	Application Form
EXPERIENCE	Administration experience.	Experience of working in a clinical environment Experience of working as a receptionist	Application Form Interview
SKILLS	Excellent verbal, written and numeracy skills. Excellent organisational skills, including the ability to manage time and prioritise workload effectively. Well-developed interpersonal skills, able to communicate effectively with colleagues at all levels. Ability to communicate with distressed patients/relatives in a sensitive manner	Able to work on own initiative.	Application Form Interview
KNOWLEDGE	Excellent IT skills, conversant with Excel, Word and Outlook.	Some understanding of a clinical environment and electronic record system.	Application Form Interview
PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES	Able to work independently, flexibly and on own initiative, within specified guidelines or processes. Adaptable and able to work in a team environment. Able to work appropriately with confidential and sensitive information. Able to work under pressure. A commitment to the vision and values of Bolton Hospice.	Willingness to attend training events as and when required.	Application Form Interview