

## **Person specification**

| Post      | Trust Lead for Complaints and PALS       | Band | ТВА      |
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| Dept/ward | Directorate of Patient Care Patient care |      | <u>I</u> |

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| Milton Keynes<br>Hospital<br>Standards | <ul> <li>Demonstrable ability to:</li> <li>Treat everyone with Respect, courtesy and kindness</li> <li>Provide timely care and attention</li> <li>Listen, inform and explain</li> <li>Involve you as part of the team and work together</li> <li>Are reassuringly professional</li> <li>Provide and maintain a clean and comfortable environment</li> </ul> | E           | A                | I             |
| Qualifications and knowledge           | <ul> <li>Evidence of own updating and academic education</li> <li>Relevant First Degree or equivalent experience</li> <li>Relevant Masters Degree</li> <li>Teaching experience at all levels</li> <li>Communication skills</li> </ul>   | E<br>D<br>E | A<br>A<br>A<br>A |               |

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| Experience                     | <ul> <li>Managing a team, minimum of 4 years</li> <li>Minimum of 2 years success in a complaints management role</li> </ul>   | E<br>E      | A<br>A           | I<br>I        |
|                                | <ul> <li>Minimum of 5 years' experience of working in the field of NHS complaints and/or PALS</li> <li>Good understanding of operational</li> </ul>                   | E           | А                | 1             |
|                                | <ul> <li>issues in a NHS environment</li> <li>Experiencing of facilitating<br/>significant cultural change including<br/>the ability to motivate staff and</li> </ul> | E           | A                |               |
|                                | <ul> <li>change behaviours/attitudes</li> <li>Detailed working knowledge of NHS practices and procedures and experience of implementing new</li> </ul>                | E           | A                | 1             |
|                                | <ul> <li>policies across a service</li> <li>Experience of implementing service changes following outcomes of complaints</li> </ul>                                    | E           | A                | 1             |
|                                | Experience dealing with complex<br>and or sensitive information and<br>unpredictable situations, including<br>breaking bad news                                       | Е           | А                | I             |
|                                | <ul> <li>Good documentation/written skills</li> <li>Excellent communication skills</li> <li>Audit awareness</li> <li>Ability to critically analyse data</li> </ul>    | E<br>E<br>E | Α                | <br> -<br> -  |
|                                | Project management experience   | Ē           | А                | İ             |
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| Skills                          | <ul> <li>Standard setting experience.</li> <li>Desire to develop academic knowledge.</li> <li>Evidence of leadership qualities.</li> <li>Confidence in making presentations and public speaking</li> <li>Able to balance competing priorities and meet personal and service targets with a fluctuating and demanding workload</li> <li>Ability to facilitate and challenge appropriately and communicate effectively with staff of all disciplines across all levels of the organisation</li> <li>Ability to remain calm whilst managing highly complex and difficult situations</li> <li>A strong sense of personal and team accountability</li> </ul> | E E E   | A<br>A<br>A<br>A | -<br>-<br>-<br>-<br>- |
| Personal and people development | <ul> <li>Maturity /self-awareness</li> <li>Excellent team working skills</li> <li>Sensitivity based on knowledge</li> <li>Enthusiasm /motivation</li> <li>Recognition of staffs' strengths and weaknesses to enable staff to be developed</li> <li>To be able to lead a guide a team</li> <li>Excellent interpersonal skills</li> <li>Ability to work in partnership with staff from all disciplines and levels</li> </ul>  | E E E E | A<br>A<br>A      |                       |

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| Communication                  | <ul> <li>Outstanding written and communication skills</li> <li>Influencing and negotiating skills</li> <li>Ability to communicate effectively with those who may be angry, aggressive, distressed or emotional</li> </ul> | E<br>E | A                | <br> -<br>    |
| Specific requirements          | <ul> <li>Able to perform the duties of the<br/>post with reasonable aids and<br/>adaptations</li> </ul>   | E      |                  | I             |



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