Portsmouth Football Club Sports Therapist (U9s to U16s)

Portsmouth Football Club have an exciting opportunity for a Sports Therapist within the Portsmouth Football Club Academy Medical Department, working with our 9-16 years age range of scholars. This role is part time and is based at our training ground in Copnor, Portsmouth.

Working within a well-respected Category 3 academy, the Sports Therapist will work alongside the Head of Academy Medical Services and other part-time therapists to provide excellent evidence-based care to the young footballers in the academy. This will include providing medical services to the schoolboys and pitch side cover to the schoolboy teams on match days.

The successful applicant will be responsible for providing pitch side cover for training sessions and matches in the schoolboy programme.

There may be opportunity for the successful individual to assist on Saturdays with pitch side cover and assist in treatment clinics for the U9-U16s in the evenings.

This is an ideal role for a qualified sports therapist or physiotherapist looking to gain experience in a young elite footballing environment. The successful applicant will also receive CPD as part of the departmental programme.

Main duties will include:

- Liaising with the Head of Academy Medical Services in order to optimise assessment and treatment of academy schoolboy players.
- Liaising effectively with the coaching staff in order to keep them informed on player availability.
- Assisting with prehab and rehab within the academy from U9-16's.
- Assisting in evening clinics to effectively and efficiently assess and treat injuries from the U9-16 age groups.
- Provide pitch side trauma cover during training sessions and matches.
- Keep the PMA updated regarding players' injuries and rehabilitation sessions.

Qualifications needed:

- BSc Physiotherapy/Sport Therapy
- HCPC membership if physiotherapist
- CSP/SST membership
- Pitch side trauma certificate (e.g. ITMMiF or similar)

Skills and experience:

- Experience in assessing and rehabilitating sports injuries
- Ability to encourage and manage young footballers
- Experience of paediatric assessment and treatment
- An understanding of the demands of a professional sport environment
- Experience of working pitch side in sport, preferably football (desirable)
- Experience of using PMA system (desirable)

Personal attributes:

- Commitment and strong work ethic
- Genuine team player
- Loyal
- Trustworthy
- Reliable

- Proactive

The successful candidate will be required to undergo an Enhanced DBS Clearance.

The Club has a strong reputation as an upholder of EFL diversity and inclusion policies and welcomes applications from BAME candidates. We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people (Under 18) and Adults at Risk and operates an active Safeguarding Policy.

We expect all our staff to have personal responsibility to contribute to our policies, protocols and practice to safeguard children and Adults at Risk, protect them from possible abuse and promote their welfare and to fulfil your duty of care.

The Club will not consider applications via third parties.

To apply send your CV and cover letter to:

Laurabridger@pompeyfc.co.uk no later than 24th February 2020.