**Organisation**

Huddersfield Giants

**Salary**

£15k per annum

**Location**

Huddersfield (various locations, including travel for away matches)

**Contract type**

Fixed Term (Part time)

**Closing date**

10 December 2021

**Interview date**

13 December 2021

**Job Description**

Huddersfield Giants are looking for an experienced and enthusiastic therapist to join our Medical Team and provide an excellent level of care to our Academy group. As the Lead Academy Therapist, you will be expected to continue the high standards set by the first-team medical department and employ excellent communication and organisation skills.

In-short duties of the Lead Academy Therapist are:
• Assessment, Treatment and Rehabilitation of all Academy Players.
• The design and implementation of management plans for all Academy Players.
• Oversee the care of the Scholarship squad through supporting the Scholarship Therapist.
• Provide pitch-side care for Academy matches.
• Maintain appropriate medical records and injury surveillance data.
• Liaise closely with the Academy Coaches, Strength and Conditioners and the First-team Therapist.
• Flexible to work afternoons/evenings and weekends and meet the demands of changing schedules in line with fixtures.
o Example of pre-season schedule: Mon, Wed, Fri 2pm – 6pm. Sat 8:30am-11am.
o Example of in-season schedule: Mon, Wed, Fri 2pm – 6pm. Match at weekend.

The candidate will be able to demonstrate the following traits:
• Employ exemplary communication with all key stakeholders (Academy Coaches, Strength and Conditioners, Players, and the First-team Therapist). Deliver clear, concise information to ensure an effective communication pathway.
• Ensure you and your workload is well organised so that tasks are completed effectively and timely, meeting all set deadlines. Contribute to an organised performance department providing high level care to athletes in preventing and managing injuries.
• Be enthusiastic in your work and give your all to contribute to the wider success of the Academy and Huddersfield Giants.

Essential Requirements:
• Fully qualified Physiotherapist, Sports Therapist or Sports Rehabilitator with a minimum of 2 years post-graduate experience.
• Significant interest and experience of working in sport.
• Valid IMMOFP/PHICIS pitch-side trauma qualification or prepared to complete course upon acceptance of position.
• Be flexible in working practices and available to meet the demands of the academy team.
• Be able to work pro-actively as an individual whilst always considering your position as a part of the wider performance team.
• Able to demonstrate evidence of an interest in sports medicine and the development of younger athletes.

Desirable:
• Experience of working in professional Sport (ideally Rugby League or Union).
• Experience of working with younger athletes.

**How to apply**

Please register your interest by emailing CV and covering letter to Head of Medical Services - Patrick Robertson medical@giantsrl.com. Please title the email "Lead Academy Therapist Vacancy".