

## **Healthcare Assistant in Ophthalmology (Maternity cover with the possibility of becoming permanent)**

Are you looking for a new role? We are recruiting a Healthcare Assistant to join our team working in our busy Ophthalmology Clinic. Although this is, a temporary position to cover Maternity leave there may be the opportunity to become a permanent member of the team

**Solent Medical Services** Limited is an NHS-staff owned company, established to provide high quality, community care services to Southampton and Hampshire NHS patients. Based at Newtown Clinic on Lyon Street in Southampton, SMS provides fast, friendly and accessible Dermatology, Ophthalmology and Community Wellbeing healthcare locally to patients and their GPs.

This responsible role is based at the Solent Medical Ophthalmology Clinic. The role includes assessing patients and conducting various ophthalmic tests. Previous experience is an advantage but not essential as full training will be provided. You will be helping patients as they go through the clinic process, undertaking various vision examinations, using ophthalmic equipment and supporting the clinicians in clinic.

The ideal candidate will be computer literate, confident, approachable, caring and have a good sense of humour. We are a supportive close-knit team and are looking for another likeminded team player.

The successful candidate will need to be flexible to be available through the week as hours are not fixed however will be rota'd 4 weeks in advance. There is also the opportunity for additional hours to cover annual leave and sickness (and after training to work on Sat morning as overtime).

The position is for 30 hours per week (Monday to Friday) rota'd in advance however the hours are restricted to fit in with our sessional clinic hours of 8.00am to 12.30pm and 1.00pm to 5.00pm. Benefits include a competitive starting hourly rate £9.61, inclusion in the NHS pension and 5 weeks annual leave (pro rata).

To apply please send your CV to [Julie.clements10@nhs.net](mailto:Julie.clements10@nhs.net)