

Advanced Clinical Practitioner (ACP) in Primary Care

+ Job Purpose

The post holder will be an autonomous Advanced Clinical Practitioner (ACP) working both independently and collaboratively within a multidisciplinary clinical team. They will demonstrate highly developed clinical and critical thinking skills to assess, diagnose, treat, and manage patients presenting with a wide range of conditions in primary care.

The role requires the post holder to make safe, competent clinical decisions within professional boundaries, deliver expert patient care, and contribute to high-quality, evidence-based services. They will provide clinical leadership and support the development of practice policy, procedures, and service improvement.

+ Key Responsibilities

Provide expert, autonomous clinical assessment, diagnosis, treatment, and evaluation for patients presenting with a range of undifferentiated and complex health conditions.

Act as a first point of contact for patients, managing acute presentations, routine appointments, and telephone or remote consultations.

Undertake and interpret diagnostic investigations and initiate appropriate management plans.

Diagnose and manage acute and chronic conditions, integrating both pharmacological and non-pharmacological treatments into care plans.

Prescribe and review medications safely and effectively as an Independent Prescriber, in line with current legislation and clinical guidelines.

Identify, diagnose, and manage long-term conditions, supporting patients in self-management and lifestyle modification.

Prioritise and manage urgent or emergency situations, initiating effective interventions and arranging referrals where appropriate.

Collaborate with multidisciplinary colleagues to deliver coordinated, patient-centred care and contribute to the development of practice protocols and pathways.

Maintain accurate and contemporaneous clinical records in line with professional and legal requirements.

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Participate in audit, clinical governance, and quality improvement initiatives to ensure safe, effective, and responsive service delivery.

Contribute to the education and support of colleagues and students within the practice, sharing expertise to promote learning and best practice.

Maintain professional registration and continuing professional development (CPD), ensuring competence in advanced clinical practice.

The post holder will be expected to undertake any other reasonable duties as requested by management.

Professional Qualifications and Experience	Essential	Desirable
Registered with a UK professional body (e.g., NMC, HCPC, GPhC).	☒	☐
MSc in Advanced Clinical Practice (or equivalent qualification meeting the national ACP framework).	☒	☐
Independent / Non-Medical Prescriber qualification.	☒	☐
Significant post-registration clinical experience in primary care or a relevant setting.	☒	☐
Demonstrable advanced clinical assessment, diagnostic, and decision-making skills.	☒	☐
Experience in supervising, mentoring, or teaching clinical colleagues.	☐	☒
Current Life Support qualification(s).	☒	☐
Skills and Knowledge	Essential	Desirable
Ability to work independently and within a multidisciplinary team, demonstrating accountability and sound professional judgment.	☒	☐
Proven ability to manage patients with complex and/or long-term conditions.	☒	☐
Understanding of clinical governance, evidence-based practice, and quality improvement.	☒	☐
Evidence of ongoing CPD and commitment to professional development.	☐	☒
Knowledge of local and national healthcare policies and frameworks relevant to advanced practice	☐	☒

