

Transferable Role Template

Career Framework Level 7

Podiatrist

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SKILLS FOR HEALTH CAREER FRAMEWORK PROJECT



Level Descriptors

Key characteristics of a Level 7 Role

Has power to act
Has authority
Has influence
Promotes a learning culture

Demonstrates leadership and innovation in work contexts that are unpredictable and that require solving problems involving many interacting factors

Sophisticated learning skills
Develops new skills in response
to emerging knowledge and
techniques
Advances professional practice
Works across professional
boundaries using creative
reasoning and problem solving
Development of others
Instigates and manages change
within a complex environment

Level 7 Role Contextual Knowledge

Personal and Professional

Higher level clinical / technical / research skills
Breadth and depth of knowledge
Experience
Vision
Innovates through reflection in practice
Deals with complexity
Creative reasoning

Quality at the heart of practice
Actively integrates theory and practice
Demonstrates evidence based practice
Active continuing professional development
Striving to better previously established standards
Focus on ethical and moral dimensions

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Definition of the Level 7 Role

People at level 7 of the career framework have a critical awareness of knowledge issues in the field and at the interface between different fields. They are innovative and have a responsibility for developing and changing practice and/or services in a complex and unpredictable environment.

Example of Role at Level 7

Advanced Practitioner:

Whilst recognising that some professions have already defined the advanced practitioner: the definition of an advanced practitioner used in this template is intended to be applicable to all professional and occupational groups. This definition is based on the level 7 descriptors that inform the career framework for health and therefore is useful to employers.

Advanced practitioners are experienced professionals who have developed their skills and theoretical knowledge to a very high standard, performing a highly complex role and continuously developing their practice within a defined field and/or having management responsibilities for a section/small department. They will have their own caseload or work area responsibilities.

Further information regarding the role of the advanced practitioner has been used to support these findings

Basic Information:

Named Role	Podiatrist
Area of work	Community NHS Or Local Authority Or Independent, Hospital NHS Or Independent
Role Family	AHPs
Experience required	N/A
Career Framework Level	7

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Summary of Role

To be the departmental and countywide clinical lead for Vascular Foot Disease and work as a member of the Regional Vascular Unit.

Scope of the Role

To be the departmental and countywide clinical lead for Vascular Foot Disease and work as a member of the Regional Vascular Unit.

To manage a specialist community caseload in specified clinics; demonstrating skills in assessing and treating complex and varied systemic and foot pathologies and teaching/supporting community staff in the management of at risk patients (especially wound care).

To have an in-depth knowledge of tissue viability and wound management

To maintain standards of professional practice through a programme of continuing professional development (CPD) including regular literature review.

To work to the standards and guidelines set by the podiatry department, with specific reference to;

The full and proper use of the patient record card to demonstrate active progress with treatment plans and compliance with Data Protection and Caldicott Principles.

The active and participative management of caseloads.

The active management of waiting lists.

To demonstrate advanced clinical knowledge and practice, including

- (i) referral onward
- (ii) antibiotic cover
- (iii) specialist footwear prescriptions
- (iv) recommending further tests and investigations (inc. X-ray)
- (v) access and waiting times

and liaise with appropriate health care professionals regarding patient care.

To supervise work with and for Specialist Podiatrists, Podiatrists and Podiatry Assistants; to assist with their training and development, as required.

To mentor specialist podiatrists and podiatry team leaders on a 1:1 basis in the clinical setting.

To contribute to the delivery of an In-Service training programme for all staff; leading on specific projects as required.

To undertake specialist Foot Health Education work, demonstrating advanced understanding of pathologies and the impact on individual patients; in addition to incorporating advice to all registered patients as part of their treatment plan.

To train/teach colleagues/students/health care professionals/patients/public

To participate and contribute to departmental quality initiatives

To comply and maintain an awareness of nationally set expectations and standards

To undertake and lead audit and research work as required

To record accurate information on activity in accordance with the current data capture system.

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Level 7 Core Competences / National Occupational Standards:

Underpinning Principle	Reference Function		Competence
1. COMMUNICATION	1.2	Communicate effectively	GEN97 Communicate effectively in a healthcare environment http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3001
2. PERSONAL & PEOPLE DEVELOPMENT	2.1.1	Develop your own practice	GEN13 Synthesise new knowledge into the development of your own practice http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/376
			CFAM&LAA3 Develop and maintain your professional networks http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3770
	2.1.2	Reflect on your own practice	GEN23 Monitor your own work practices http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2051
			SCDHSC0033 Develop your practice through reflection and learning http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3415
	2.2.1	Support the development of the knowledge and practice of individuals	SCDHSC0043 Take responsibility for the continuing professional development of yourself and others http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3481
3. HEALTH SAFETY & SECURITY	3.5.1	Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety	IPC2.2012 Perform hand hygiene to prevent the spread of infection http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3309
			PROHSS1 Make sure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3327
			PMWRV1 Make sure your actions contribute to a positive and safe working culture http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/4027
	3.5.2	Protect individuals from abuse	SCDHSC0024 Support the safeguarding of individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3518
4. SERVICE IMPROVEMENT	4.6	Promote service improvement	CFAM&LCA1 Identify and evaluate opportunities for innovation and improvement http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3783
5. QUALITY	5.1.1	Act within the limits of your competence and authority	GEN63 Act within the limits of your competence and authority http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/85
	5.1.2	Manage and organise your own time and activities	HT4 Manage and organise your own time and activities http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2501

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6. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY	6.1	Ensure your own actions support equality of opportunity and diversity	SCDHSC0234 Uphold the rights of individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3506
	6.2	Promote equality of opportunity and diversity	SCDHSC3111 Promote the rights and diversity of individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3540
B. HEALTH INTERVENTION	B2.1	Obtain information from individuals about their health status and needs	CHS169 Comply with legal requirements for maintaining confidentiality in healthcare http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2820
D. INFORMATION MANAGEMENT / INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY	D2.4	Maintain information / record systems	CFA_BAD332 Store and retrieve information using a filing system http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/4104
H. MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION	H1.2.4	Implement change	CFAM&LCA4 Implement change http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3786
	H1.3.1	Contribute to the effectiveness of teams	SCDHSC0241 Contribute to the effectiveness of teams http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3509
	H1.3.2	Develop relationships with individuals	CFAM&LDD1 Develop and sustain productive working relationships with colleagues http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3787
	H2.6	Receive and pass on messages and information	ESKITU020 Use digital communications http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/4150

Role Specific Competences / National Occupational Standards:

Underpinning Principle	Reference Function		Competence
1. COMMUNICATION	1.3	Support individuals to communicate	SCDHSC0021 Support effective communication http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3515
	1.5	Provide information, advice and guidance	GEN14 Provide advice and information to individuals on how to manage their own condition http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/377
2. PERSONAL & PEOPLE DEVELOPMENT	2.2.1	Support the development of the knowledge and practice of individuals	CFAM&LDC2 Support individuals' learning and development http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3793
3. HEALTH SAFETY & SECURITY	3.5.1	Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety	GEN96 Maintain health, safety and security practices within a health setting http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2859

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			IPC3.2012 Clean, disinfect and remove spillages of blood and other body fluids to minimise the risk of infection http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3362
			IPC4.2012 Minimise the risk of spreading infection by cleaning, disinfection and storing care equipment http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3363
			IPC5.2012 Minimise the risk of exposure to blood and body fluids while providing care http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3364 IPC6.2012
			Use personal protective equipment to prevent the spread of infection http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3365
			IPC7.2012 Safely dispose of healthcare waste, including sharps, to prevent the spread of infection http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3366
6. EQUALITY & DIVERSITY	6.2	Promote equality of opportunity and diversity	CFAM&LBA7 Promote equality of opportunity, diversity and inclusion http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3782
A. ASSESSMENT	A2.1	Plan assessment of an individual's health status	CHS38 Plan assessment of an individual's health status http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/1040
	A2.3	Assess an individual with a suspected health condition	CHS40 Establish a diagnosis of an individual's health condition http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/220
	A2.3	(Contd) Assess an individual with a suspected health condition	CHS39 Assess an individual's health status http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/221
	A2.4	Assess an individual's needs arising from their health status	Diab HA4 Assess the feet of individuals with diabetes and provide advice on maintaining healthy feet and managing foot problems http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/560
	A2.5	Agree courses of action following assessment	CHS45 Agree courses of action following assessment to address health and wellbeing needs of individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2219
	A2.7	Undertake a risk assessment in relation to a defined health need	CHS46 Assess risks associated with health conditions http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2214

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B. HEALTH INTERVENTION	B3.1.1	Plan activities, interventions or treatments to achieve specified health goals	CHS4.2012 Undertake tissue viability risk assessment for individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3394 CHS41 Determine a treatment plan for an individual http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/219
	B3.3.4	Prepare environments and resources for use in health care activities	GEN6.2012 Manage environments and resources for use during healthcare activities http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/3381
	B3.4.1	Receive and direct requests for health care assistance using protocols and guidelines	CHS59 Respond to referrals of individuals with health conditions http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2235
	B3.5.1	Prepare a discharge plan	CHS122 Prepare a discharge plan with individuals http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/414
	B3.6.1	Monitor individuals following treatments	CHS47 Monitor and assess patients following treatments http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/2215
	B10.2	Provide first aid to an individual	CHS36 Provide basic life support http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/906
E. FACILITIES & ESTATES	E1.3.4	Sterilise and disinfect equipment used for the provision of health care	DEC5 Carry out sterilisation and disinfection of re-useable medical devices http://tools.skillsforhealth.org.uk/competence/show/html/id/370

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Facets of Role (National Occupational Standards):

Underpinning Principle	Reference Function	Competence
	None Assigned	

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Locality Specific Competences / National Occupational Standards:

Underpinning Principle	Reference Function		Competence
		None Assigned	

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Indicative Learning and Development

Transferable role	Podiatrist
Formal endorsed learning	
Informal learning	
Summary of learning and development including aims and objectives	
Duration	
National Occupational Standards used	
Credits (including framework used)	
Accreditation	
APEL and progression	
Programme structure	
Continuous Professional Development	NOT SPECIFIED
Resources required, e.g. placement learning, preceptors, accredited assessors etc	
Quality Assurance	
Policies included in learning programme documentation	
Funding	
Leading to registration or membership with:	

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References & Further Information:

N/A

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