



HSS Registered

Respiratory Scientist

Health Salaried Officers Agreement: HSO Level P1

Position Number: 113725

Respiratory Medicine

Fiona Stanley Fremantle Hospital Group / South Metropolitan Health Service

Reporting Relationships

Senior Respiratory Sleep Scientist in Charge
HSO Level P3
Position Number: 115446



Senior Respiratory Scientist
HSO Level P2
Position Number: 113726



This Position



Directly reporting to this position

Title	Classification	FTE
Title	Award; Level	FTE
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Also reporting to this supervisor:
• Various

Key Responsibilities

To provide a quality and timely diagnostic service in pulmonary physiology for inpatients and Outpatients that is up to date and responsive to the needs of the patients and their physicians. This includes performing specialised tests, maintaining equipment and consumable supplies, analysing results and practicing quality assurance. Participation in ongoing educational and research activities is an integral part of the role.



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SMHS Values

The SMHS considers the values, attributes and attitudes of candidates along with the assessment of competency-based criteria of the position as part of employee recruitment and ongoing performance development.

SMHS is unified across its hospitals and services by its values and behaviours that provide a strong expectation of conduct for all SMHS staff no matter where they work.



Brief Summary of Duties (in order of importance)

1. Pulmonary Physiology Investigation

- 1.1 Provides respiratory physiology investigation services to patients in accordance with relevant legislation, established international guidelines and hospital or departmental policies, as requested by a referring physician. Tests include, but are not limited to, spirometry, plethysmography, gas dilution tests for lung volumes, gas exchange tests, 6-minute walk tests and respiratory muscle assessments.
- 1.2 Assists and/or undertakes advanced and complex tests including, but not limited to, cardiopulmonary exercise testing with 12 lead ECG, bronchial provocation tests and high altitude simulation tests.
- 1.3 Analyses, collates and reviews the data from tests for internal consistency, consistency with putative diagnosis and for provision of answers to the clinical question posed.
- 1.4 Assists with stock control of consumables. Organises the procurement of supplies, as required.
- 1.5 Supports and liaises with patients, carers, colleagues, medical, nursing, allied health, support staff, external agencies and the private sector to provide coordinated multidisciplinary care.
- 1.6 Completes clinical documentation/statistics and undertakes administrative tasks as required.
- 1.7 Participates in departmental and other meetings as required to meet organisational and service objectives.
- 1.8 Participates in ongoing evaluation of clinical practice

2. Quality / Training / Research

- 2.1 Engages in continuing professional development/education and ensures continuous eligibility for associate or ordinary membership of the Australia New Zealand Society of Respiratory Sciences (ANZSRS) as per essential criterion 1.
- 2.2 Works towards attainment of the Certification Examination for Respiratory Function Scientists (CRFS) credential from ANZSRS.
- 2.3 Participates in supervision, professional development and clinical consultation activities with supervising senior staff.
- 2.4 Assists with supervision and development of students and others as directed by senior staff.
- 2.5 Develops and participates in clinical research activities where applicable and assists with the introduction of new tests as directed.

3. SMHS Governance, Safety and Quality Requirements

- 3.1 Commits to undertake the duties of the role in accordance with the WA Health Code of Conduct, the SMHS Vision and SMHS Values of Care, Integrity, Respect, Excellence and Teamwork.
- 3.2 Participates in the maintenance of a safe work environment.
- 3.3 Participates in an annual performance development review.
- 3.4 Supports the delivery of safe patient care and the consumers' experience including participation in continuous quality improvement activities in accordance with the requirements of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and other recognised health standards.
- 3.5 Completes mandatory training (including safety and quality training) as relevant to role.
- 3.6 Performs duties in accordance with Government, WA Health, South Metropolitan Health Service and Departmental / Program specific policies and procedures, and applicable legislative obligations under the Public Sector Management Act, the Health Services Act, Occupational Safety and Health Act, the Disability Services Act and the Equal Opportunity Act.

4. Undertakes other duties as directed.

Work Related Requirements

The following criteria should be read together with the Brief Summary of Duties and considered in the context of the role and the SMHS Values.

Essential Selection Criteria

1. Tertiary qualification in medical sciences, clinical sciences, physiology or biomedical sciences and eligible for associate or ordinary membership of the Australian & New Zealand Society of Respiratory Science (ANZSRS).
2. Sound knowledge of relevant respiratory test procedures.
3. Ability to communicate clearly and effectively with all levels of hospital staff and patients.
4. Effective organisational, planning, time management and prioritising skills.
5. Ability to work effectively in a multidisciplinary team.
6. Commitment to continuous quality improvement.

Desirable Selection Criteria

1. Possession of, or progress towards attaining, the Certified Respiratory Function Scientist credential (CRFS) from ANZSRS.
2. Relevant experience in a healthcare environment.
3. Current knowledge and commitment to Equal Opportunity in all aspects of employment and service delivery.

Appointment Prerequisites

Appointment is subject to:

- Evidence of eligibility for or current associate or ordinary membership of, the Australian & New Zealand Society of Respiratory Science (ANZSRS) must be provided prior to commencement.
- Working with Children (WWC) Check, compulsory check for people who carry out child-related work in Western Australia.
- Provision of the minimum identity proofing requirements.
- Successful Criminal Record Screening Clearance.
- Successful Pre-Employment Integrity Check.
- Successful Pre-Employment Health Assessment.