## **Vascular Science Practitioner**

- 1. Performs a range of vascular science clinical/technical/scientific activities e.g. Basic Vascular Ultrasound, ABPI & Non-invasive vascular tests
- 2. Maintains records in relation to clinical scientific activities carried out
- 3. Supervises and/or trains less experienced staff in own area of work

Factor	Relevant Job Information	JE level
1. Communication & Relationship Skills	Provides and receives complex information/ exchanges complex information where tact and persuasive skills are required, barriers to understanding Communicates condition, test, other technical information to colleagues/ to patients who may have physical or learning disabilities, relatives & carers	3(a)-4
2. Knowledge, Training & Experience	Expertise within discipline underpinned by theoretical knowledge Understanding of range of routine vascular science activities acquired through training to degree or equivalent level of knowledge	5
3. Analytical & Judgemental Skills	Judgements involving range of facts or situations, requiring analysis, comparison of options Analysis of test results; identifies required tests/procedures, decides to repeat or abandon procedure	3
4. Planning & Organisational Skills	Plans straightforward tasks, some ongoing Plans activity workload of self and others	2
5. Physical Skills	Developed physical skills, manoeuvring of people; highly developed physical skills, accuracy important, manipulation of ultrasound probes with high degree of precision, co-ordination Skills for positioning patients for tests; requiring high degree of precision and hand-eye co-ordination for manipulating the ultrasound probe to acquire images, including highly accurate caliper measurements and Doppler waveforms	3(a)(b)-4
6. Responsibility for Patient/ Client Care	Provides clinical technical services Undertakes routine tests e.g. undertakes physiological, equipment measurement tests, initial screening	4(b)
7. Responsibility for Policy/ Service Development	Follows policies, may comment/ proposes changes to practices for area Follows policies and procedures for own work area; may be asked to comment on proposed changes/ proposes changes to practices for work area	1-2
8. Responsibility for Financial & Physical Resources	Safe use of equipment; maintains stock control, security Responsible for safe use of equipment by self and others; may order supplies for area of work	2(b) (c)
9. Responsibility for Human Resources	Day to day supervision; clinical supervision; practical training Supervises junior staff; provides professional/clinical supervision; trains less experienced staff	2(a) (b) (c)
	Records personally generated data Records personally generated test results or similar	1

10. Responsibility for Information Resources		
11. Responsibility for Research & Development	Occasionally/ regularly participates in R&D, clinical trials or equipment testing  May participate/ regularly undertakes R&D, departmental audit activities, clinical trials or equipment testing as integral part of work	1-2(a) (b) (c)
12. Freedom to Act	Works within clearly defined occupational policies Works independently within occupational, departmental policies, procedures, codes of conduct	3
13. Physical Effort	Restricted position; frequent light physical effort for several short periods  Periods of high risk positions required for performing basic diagnostic ultrasound tests; frequent moving and handling of patients and equipment, within varied and sub-optimal environments.	2(a) (b)
14. Mental Effort	Frequent requirement for concentration, work pattern predictable/ occasional/frequent requirement for prolonged concentration  Concentration for basic vascular diagnostic tests; works to routine, or equivalent work for lengthy periods	2(a)- 3(a) – 4(a)
15. Emotional Effort	Rare/occasional exposure to distressing or emotional circumstances  May work with terminally ill, upset, distressed patients, carers	1-2
16. Working Conditions	Occasional/frequent exposure to unpleasant/highly unpleasant conditions  Frequent contact with wounds, infections and other bodily fluids and offensive odours  May handle contained or controlled hazardous materials, and occasional verbal or physical abuse	2(a)-3(a)(b)- 4(b)
JE Score/Band	JE Score 317* - 385	Band 5