



East Midlands, East of England, South Yorkshire (EMEESY) Paediatric Renal and Urology Network

Role Description.

Title: **Paediatric renal and urology link nurse**

Grade: Minimum band 5

Responsible to: Local Director of Nursing.

Essential qualifications: Registered Children's Nurse

Responsibilities

- Act as a point of contact for families and professionals in the local area.
- Maintain up to date information on local services e.g. community nurses, respite care facilities, psychology, occupational therapy
- Liaise with the local multi-professional team regarding children with renal conditions
- Work alongside the named paediatrician to plan shared care clinics
- Be present at renal shared care clinics; follow up investigations and feedback to the Nottingham named nurse if necessary.
- Attend the biannual/annual network education meeting.
- Organise and participate in local patient/carer groups
- Meet with the network lead nurse to identify training needs, ensure that knowledge and skills are regularly updated
- Contribute to the development of a renal patient held healthcare record.

Knowledge and skills

An understanding of the care of children with the following conditions/therapies:

- Nephrotic syndrome
- Chronic kidney disease
- Hypertension
- Peritoneal dialysis
- Congenital nephrotic syndrome
- Kidney transplant
- Bladder dysfunction

The ability to perform venepuncture would be an advantage.

Evidence of continued professional development.

Ideally a post registration course in nephrology or bladder and bowel care should be undertaken.

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