

PREMIERSHIP RUGBY – INDEPENDENT MATCH DAY DOCTOR - JOB VACANCY

Job Title	Independent Match Day Doctor
Organisation	Premiership Rugby (www.premiershiprugby.com)
Salary	£500 per match (inclusive of expenses)
Reporting To	Head of Science and Medical Operations – Premiership Rugby
Starting date	September 2022
Job Description	<p>Premiership Rugby are looking to recruit a number of additional experienced medical practitioners to fulfil the role of Independent Match Day Doctor for the 2022-23 season.</p> <p>Working within a close-knit team, Premiership Rugby is the organisation which manages the top league in English club rugby – Gallagher Premiership Rugby. It acts for its shareholder Clubs in all major commercial and strategic negotiations with media and sponsorship partners of the league, as well as with other rugby governing bodies.</p> <p>Every Gallagher Premiership, Premiership Rugby Cup and European match has an Independent Match Day Doctor present to co-ordinate the delivery of world-leading concussion management. The Independent Match Day Doctor will work collaboratively with the Team Doctor and Immediate Care Doctor to ensure the consistent application of Gallagher Premiership and World Rugby regulations, and protocols in relation to the match-day medical management of concussion, blood and substitutions.</p> <p>We are looking to increase our pool of doctors in all geographical regions but are particularly looking for individuals who would be available to attend matches in the North East, West and South-West regions, to ensure that we have a wide geographical spread of available IMDDs to cover all matches within a reasonable travel distance.</p> <p>We are an equal opportunities organisation totally committed to Equity, Diversity, Inclusion. We actively welcome applications from across all diverse communities and encourage diversity of thought and lived experience.</p> <p>Tasks and Responsibilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adjudicate on blood injuries in accordance with regulation. • Implement the World Rugby Head Injury Assessment Protocol. • Work in conjunction with the appointed Match Pitch-side Video Reviewer to ensure that all injuries and head injury events are identified, bookmarked and sent to the respective club doctor as required/requested. • Observe any Head Injury Assessment conducted by the Team Doctor or conduct the Head Injury Assessment if required/requested. • Collaborate with team medical staff to ensure the consistent application of all laws, regulations, medical standards, guidelines, procedures, policies and protocols pertaining to head injuries, concussion and/or suspected concussion.

- Collaborate with the Hawkeye team (match pitch-side video reviewer and Hawkeye technician) post-match to ensure that the appropriate head injury event video clips have been identified and stored.
- Complete the post-match head injury event review form and maintain appropriate medical records in accordance with both local and national guidelines, compliant with RFU minimum medical standards.
- There will be an expectation to be available to work a minimum of 5 games throughout the season

Person Specification

Essential Qualifications

- Full registration with the General Medical Council and appropriate indemnity insurance. Ideally successful applicants will be on either the GP or Specialist Register.

Essential In-role Training

- Before commencement of working as an Independent Match Day Doctor, completion of the following training will be required.. These modules will provide an understanding of the Match Day Doctor duties and the relevant Laws, Regulations and Guidelines related to medical match issues.
 - *World Rugby on line 'Match Day Medical Staff' educational module (available at www.worldrugby.org/passport)*
 - *Concussion Management for Elite Level Match Day Medical Staff educational module.*
 - *World Rugby Match Day Doctor Training – date to be confirmed for August 2022*
 - *Any other relevant on-line or Face to Face Training as specified by Premiership Rugby*

Desirable Experience

- Level 2 World Rugby Immediate Care in Rugby accreditation or an equivalent course
- Experience providing pitch-side medical care in a Rugby setting alongside experience of co-ordinating pitch side head injury management and associated protocols.

Personal Qualities

- Desire to deliver excellence in clinical care in the management of elite athletes
- Ability to successfully negotiate solutions if conflicting views are held
- Ability to provide informed, honest opinions in a constructive and influential manner
- Confidence in their own professional ability and ability to demonstrate this in an assertive but non-threatening manner
- Excellent communication and relationship building

How to apply	Please send a covering letter and CV with “ Match Day Doctor ” in the subject bar to science@premiershiprugby.com
Closing Date	Friday 8 th July 2022
Interview Date	Telephone calls will be made on the 15 th or 16 th July – timings will be confirmed in advance with successful applicants
Training	Successful applicants will be required to attend one face to face training day and assessment in August 2022 and complete shadowing within a live match environment.