



## **Port Vale Academy**

### **Physio**

#### **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Job Title: Academy Physiotherapist  
Reports to: Academy Manager/ (1<sup>st</sup> Team Physio)  
Location: Club (Physio Department)

#### **JOB PURPOSE**

Working as part of the Sports Science and Medicine team; to develop, organise, coordinate and implement treatment and rehabilitation, medical screening and Health/Medical education programmes for all academy players.

#### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

1. Provide access to appropriate physiotherapy support for all registered Academy players.
2. Ensure appropriate physiotherapy support including the provision of well stocked medical bags, is available for all Academy activities.
3. Maintain accurate and up to date medical records for all registered Academy players.
4. Liaise with players, parents and staff in order to provide appropriate feedback on treatment of injuries.
5. Ensure that a qualified medical person is present at all Academy training and games.
6. Act as Physiotherapist for the Under 18 team and assist with reserve and schoolboy matches when required

7. To ensure continuity within the under 9-18 ages and to oversee and evaluate the part time physiotherapists within the programme in conjunction with the assistant Academy Physiotherapist.
8. Liaise appropriately with Academy Manager and other staff with regard to the above listed responsibilities.
9. Take responsibility for the professional development of all Academy Physiotherapists.
10. Work closely with Sport Scientists/Strength and Conditioning Coaches to ensure best methods of Academy player development are achieved
11. Supervise and mentor interns and students within the Sports Medicine Internship programme.
12. Arrange and supervise appropriate protocols for trialist's and development centres.
13. Other appropriate duties as required by the Academy Management/1st Team Physio for example injured/rehab professional players registered at the club.

#### **KEY CONTACTS**

Head of Sports Medicine and Science,( 1<sup>st</sup> Team Physio)  
Academy Manager, Scouting and Talent Identification department, Sports Science Department, Sports Medicine team, Players, Parents.

#### **SCOPE / DIMENSIONS**

The role is responsible for the management of all Academy Physiotherapists in the confines of budgetary restraints to be discussed with the Head of Sports Medicine and Science and the Sports Medicine Coordinator.

The role is responsible for the organisation and management of the Academy Physiotherapy

#### **SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES**

Essential

- CSP/HPC registered.
- Post grad BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy (min 2:1 qualification).
- Experience of working as a band 6 or 7 (Senior II or I) in an out-patients department for a minimum 18 months.
- Completed core band 5 (junior) Physiotherapy rotations within NHS.
- Extensive manual therapy skills, sports rehabilitation/knowledge in injury prevention methods and recovery strategies and knowledge of movement dysfunction analysis and experience in performance stability screening.
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- Experience in managing and co-ordinating medical staff and patient list.

Desirable

- Previous experience working as a physiotherapist in a professional football club and experience in working in an interdisciplinary sports science and medical team.
- Up to date first aid (First Aid for Sport/First Aid in the Workplace) and pitch side trauma (Medical Gases/Defib). or FA IFAS
- Advanced Trauma Training (REMO/LM Medical).
- Sports Massage Qualification/Acupuncture Qualification/Orthopaedic