

### Person Specification - Sports Therapist

<b>Title</b>	Somerset FA Girls' Emerging Talent Centre Sports Therapist
<b>Location</b>	Strode Sports Centre, Old Church Road, Street, Somerset, BA16 0AB
<b>Responsible to</b>	Emerging Talent Centre Manager
<b>Purpose of post</b>	To deliver injury treatment and proactively deliver pitch side and take-home prevention interventions to players involved in the Emerging Talent Centre. To promote and protect the health and wellbeing of all girls within the Centre.
<b>Start date</b>	September 2023
<b>Rate of Pay</b>	£50 per evening
<b>Dates:</b>	Wednesday evenings (during school term)
<b>Times</b>	6pm – 9pm (each week)

*Please note you will not be an employee of Somerset FA, but will be engaged as a contractor to deliver the sessions. Consequently, this position is a self-employed position, you will be required to make the appropriate tax and national insurance payments from the gross payment.*

#### Responsible for:

- Providing assessment, treatment and functional rehabilitation of injured players
- Clinical decision making process (fitness of player to train/play)
- Player education (Injury prevention) pitch side and classroom based in small groups
- The welfare of all players within the Centre
- Continuing Professional Development
- Communication regarding injury status and rehabilitation of players to coaching staff and parents
- Medical records - All notes and records must be kept securely. All medical records must meet the standards set by an approved body.
- Confidentiality - The physiotherapist must at all times abide by the CSP Rules of Professional Conduct

#### Key Skills and Experience required:

##### **Essential**

- Sports Therapy Degree / equivalent qualification
- Relevant professional body accreditation and public Liability Insurance as a Registered Practitioner
- FA Level 2 Emergency First Aid in Football (EFAiF) OR the Basic First Aid in Sport (BFAS)

- Knowledge and understanding of child protection issues including holding a current FA Safeguarding Children Workshop certificate
- An accepted FA Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Disclosure (FA DBS Disclosure)
- Previous experience in, and appropriate skills for the delivery of musculoskeletal physiotherapy or sports therapy within football/sport
- Have knowledge and understanding of youth player musculoskeletal development
- Willingness to work evenings
- Ability to communicate effectively with people from diverse backgrounds
- Ability to travel independently
- Ability to work as part of a team of staff
- An understanding and commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion

**Desirable:**

- Understanding of the FA Girls' England Talent Pathway
- Knowledge and Understanding of working with young footballers
- Previous experience of working in contact/sport
- Ability to organise and prioritise own workload
- The Football Association BFAS or IFAS qualification

**Successful candidates will be required to commit to the training weeks of the programme (30 weeks).  
Programme start (September 2023) and finishes at the end of May 2024.**

To apply please complete the application form here: <https://forms.gle/KVxPfsavAk3MhYAD7>

References and qualifications will be verified ahead of any appointment to the role.

**Rachael Lawler-Edwards, ETC Centre Manager at [rachael.lawler-edwards@somersetfa.com](mailto:rachael.lawler-edwards@somersetfa.com) Closing date for all applications is Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Interviews will take place w/c 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (*alternative dates can be discussed*).**