**Head of Production – based in Lytham, Up to £50,000 per annum dependent on experience**

An exciting opportunity to lead a successful production team within a global company that distributes to over 40 countries worldwide.

**Role Summary**

The Head of Production if responsible for ensuring all goods are produced efficiently, to the required standard and on time.

Main Duties (but not limited to): -

* Ensure products are produced on time and in line with agreed stock levels.
* Formulate, implement and deliver the manufacturing strategy.
* Constantly seek to improve manufacturing performance and efficiency.
* Keep within agreed budget at all times.
* Introduce a programme of continuous improvement.
* Constantly review, challenge and develop the manufacturing processes and their capabilities to meet current and future business requirements.
* In conjunction with the Head of Quality, maintain and improve quality standards and product specifications.
* Project manage and deliver change initiatives as required.
* Managing and motivating the production team, including dealing with any personnel issues that may arise.
* Assist the Head of Manufacturing and the Production Engineer with the maintenance and replacement of production equipment when required.
* Assist the Head of Manufacturing in the selection and design of equipment; the plant layout and materials handling when required.
* In conjunction with the Head of Manufacturing, develop and implement a programme of continuous improvement.

**About You**

* An experienced production manager with manufacturing experience.
* Ideally, experience of batch manufacturing.
* Ability to lead by example at all times.
* Experience of managing a team of over 20 manufacturing staff.
* Excellent IT skills, especially in MS Excel.
* Sage experience (beneficial but not essential).
* Good time management skills.
* Able to communicate effectively with people at all levels of seniority.
* Prince 2 or 6 Sigma experience is advantageous but not essential.