

West Midlands Central Foundation School

Individual Placement Description
Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust

Placement	FY2 Medical Microbiology
The department	Medical Microbiology
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	Educational Opportunities: Weekly F2 Teaching (Tuesday afternoon) Daily ITU rounds (both sites) Daily blood culture and consult rounds Daily laboratory rounds Weekly infection control meeting Weekly journal club Monthly microbiology educational meetings Weekly antibiotic ward rounds (both sites) Weekly C diff ward rounds (both sites) Weekly C diff ward rounds (both sites) Attendance at TB clinics Attendance at Dr Singhal's Hepatitis clinic Attendance at Dr Sivaram's Genitourinary Medicine clinic Shadowing the infection control team Shadowing the TB nurses Gain Experience in: Management and diagnosis of infections in hospital Management and diagnosis of infections in the community Hospital infection control Management of antibiotic prescribing Management and diagnosis of Genitourinary infection Management of hospital outbreaks of infections Gain experience in the following additional procedures: Microbiology laboratory techniques – microscopy, culture, susceptibility testing and serology Sampling in the Genitourinary clinic
Where the placement is based	City Hospital
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr N Ratnaraja/Dr T Saluja
Main duties of the placement	 Prepare, attend and make notes for ITU and D12 ward rounds. Call out C. diff positive results and other important results. Occasionally hold on-call bleep for SpR. Assist with telephone queries. Produce a weekly C. diff list of patients at both Sites (City and Sandwell). This involves reviewing the patients and making management plans. Audit work.

	Spend days in laboratory on the acute benches There is currently a commitment to participate in the general medicine on call rota, including out of hours, night duties and weekend duties.
Typical working pattern in this placement	9am – 5pm weekdays
Employer information	The Trust is one of the largest teaching Trusts in the United Kingdom with a reputation for excellent, friendly staff who provide high quality care from City Hospital in Birmingham and Sandwell General in West Bromwich. Both are busy acute hospitals providing many specialist services and a broad range of emergency services, including Accident & Emergency at both sites. In addition, the Trust provides comprehensive community services to the Sandwell area, including from Rowley Regis Community Hospital, Leasowes Intermediate Care Centre and the Lyng Centre for Health and Social Care.

It is important to note that this description is a typical example of your placement and maybe subject to change.