

## **West Midlands Central Foundation School**

Individual Placement Description
Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust

Placement	FY2 Public Health Medicine
The department	Public Health Medicine
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	Educational Opportunities:  The scope of public health practice across the three domains of public health (health protection, health improvement and healthcare public health)  Gaining an understanding of how public health relates to clinical practice and how public health practice can prevent or delay ill-health  Gaining an understanding of how epidemiology is used to inform public health practice  Working on key public health programmes such as increasing physical activity, healthy eating, smoking cessation, alcohol and substance misuse, the promotion of mental and emotional health  Gaining experience in working effectively with a wide range of people across different organisations and sectors, including local government, NHS, voluntary sector, police and local businesses  The importance of the social determinants of health (e.g. housing, jobs, education) to the health of the individual and the population and how public health can influence these wider determinants  Understanding and explaining complex public health information to a range of audiences  The science and art of improving the health of the population through the organised efforts of society
Where the placement is based	Sandwell Local Authority
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr Valerie De-Souza
Main duties of the placement	<ul> <li>Project work - supporting a small number of major projects as well as a range of smaller discrete projects</li> <li>Undertaking evidence reviews to support decisions about public health interventions</li> <li>Undertaking health needs assessments to inform the commissioning and delivery of health and public health services</li> <li>Undertaking evaluations and audits to review the effectiveness of services</li> </ul>
Typical working pattern in this placement	9am – 5pm Weekdays Takes part in Medicine on call rota



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