

West Midlands Central Foundation School
Individual Placement Description – Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham

Placement	FY1 Gastroenterology (Div C)
The department	<p>Gastroenterology has a 17- bedded specialty ward covered by 6 Consultants.</p> <p>The ward cares for patients with decompensated liver disease, GI bleed, nutrition problems, and Inflammatory bowel disease.</p> <p>There are daily Consultant led Ward rounds with good daily support from Registrar.</p> <p>Consultants are assigned to ward duty in 4 week blocks to try and improve continuity for the patients and junior medical staff.</p> <p>We offer a whole range of departmental teaching program, governance meeting, and journal club.</p>
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Gastroenterology and Hepatology patients - management of the jaundiced patients, decompensated liver disease, GI cancer, GI bleed, intestinal failure, parenteral nutrition etc. Care of patients with complex bowel problems in a specialty setting, with multidisciplinary working with surgical and specialty nursing colleagues. • Acute medical on call experience and care of general medical in-patients and specialty patients on the ward • Opportunity to discuss patients at GI MDT • Undertake specific GI audit or case presentations • Observe endoscopy procedures (self directed- always welcome) • Attend gastroenterology outpatients (self directed- always welcome) • Many opportunities to undertake paracentesis • Tuesday lunchtime colorectal journal club and monthly Morbidity and Mortality meeting • Thursday morning GI bleed audit and IBD MDT • Wednesday lunchtime local gastroenterology teaching programme • Trust Weekly protected FY1 teaching • Weekly Grand Round • Excellent support structure for Foundation trainees • Career support • ALS • Monthly Trust Foundation committee with trainee representation
Where the placement is based	University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Over the period of your placement, you will be working with a number of Consultants all of whom can provide clinical supervision during the time you are on duty with them. However, you will be assigned a specific named Clinical supervisor for the placement and a named Educational Supervisor for the year.

Main duties of the placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Care of predominantly gastroenterology and also general medical patients on GI Ward; e.g. ward rounds; ensuring up to date handover sheet; requesting bloods, investigations, imaging and ensuring complete; discharge paperwork and ensuring follow up; clerking new admissions • Management of acutely unwell patients on ward • General medical on call - includes clerking Clinical Decision Unit / day ward cover during weekends / ward cover at night • Prepare & present at weekly MDT inflammatory bowel disease meeting between GI & colorectal team • Attending weekly journal club hosted by colorectal / GI team • Many opportunities for audit work & presentations
Typical working pattern in this placement	Ward rounds, ward work, multiple opportunities to attend gastroenterology clinics and endoscopy sessions
Employer information	<p>University Hospital Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust is recognised as one of the leading NHS Foundation Trusts in the UK, providing adult services to nearly 700,000 patients every year.</p> <p>The Trust is a regional centre for cancer, trauma, burns & plastics and has the largest solid organ transplantation programme in Europe.</p> <p>The Trust employs around 6,900 staff and is home to Birmingham's first new acute hospital in 70 years.</p> <p>The new £545m Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham opened its doors to patients on June 16, 2010.</p> <p>It is one of the most consistently high performing trusts in the NHS.</p>

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