

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

Placement	FY1 Respiratory Medicine
The department	Respiratory Medicine works in close collaboration with other medical specialties.
	There are 2 wards with 36 beds each which are looked after by the Respiratory team. There are 9 consultants in the speciality with 6 having specific responsibility for the respiratory wards.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul> <li>Acute medical on-call experience and care of respiratory and general medical in-patients on the ward</li> <li>Involvement with patients requiring non-invasive ventilation</li> <li>Aspiration of pleural effusion</li> <li>Assisting with chest drains</li> <li>Interaction with the multidisciplinary team, including physiotherapists, respiratory nurse specialists and lung cancer nurse specialists</li> <li>Interpreting lung function tests</li> <li>Encouraged to present at respiratory meeting</li> <li>Opportunity for audit</li> <li>Weekly radiology meeting with physicians' clinical meeting</li> <li>Weekly respiratory group meeting including audit and governance</li> <li>Excellent consultant support</li> <li>Weekly Brand Round</li> <li>Excellent support structure for Foundation Trainees</li> <li>Career support</li> <li>ALS</li> <li>Monthly Trust Foundation Committee with trainee representation</li> <li>Monthly respiratory junior doctors forum.</li> </ul>
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> <li>Daily patient reviews on ward rounds by self, with SpR or during consultant ward rounds where you document in notes</li> <li>Request investigations and reviews and future appointments</li> <li>Speak to family members about progress of patients</li> <li>ABGs</li> <li>Cannulas</li> <li>bloods taking</li> </ul>

Typical working pattern in this placement	Ward rounds, On- call duties for acute unselected medical take / Hospital 24/7
Employer information	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.  The Trust is a regional centre for cancer, trauma, burns & plastics and has the largest solid organ transplantation programme in Europe.  The Trust employs around 6,900 staff and is home to Birmingham's first new acute hospital in 70 years.  The new £545m Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham opened its doors to patients on June 16, 2010.  It is one of the most consistently high performing trusts in the NHS.

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