

West Midlands Central Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham

Placement	FY2 Acute Medicine
The department	<p>The acute medicine department is based in a 68 bedded ward and ambulatory cae department. Our main role is to ensure the optimal management of patients referred to medicine in the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham. Trainees receive experience in both ambulatory and longer stay patient care and experience in participating in the general medical take.</p> <p>Trainees have the opportunity to gain experience and competence in lumbar puncture and paracentesis, and experience in pleural procedures (depending on availability of supervisor trained in chest ultrasound).). There is always middle grade supervision in the form of either training registrars or JSD higher doctors, both to supervise ward work and clinical procedures if necessary. F2 trainees are expected to provide support to junior colleagues.</p> <p>Trainees are expected to attend weekly departmental teaching sessions, where there is the opportunity to learn about the assessment and management of key acute medicine presentations and present interesting clinical cases. Trainees are expected to undertake a quality improvement project related to acute medicine during their placement and attend monthly clinical quality meetings, where departmental quality improvement and audit projects are presented, morbidity and mortality data are discussed and other governance issues are raised.</p> <p>We have a number of medical students and PA students rotating through the department and trainees are encouraged to provide teaching sessions and obtain feedback that can be uploaded to their portfolios.</p>
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily consultant led ward round • Experience of working in ambulatory care • Will treat all the conditions covered in the core medical curriculum within the 4 month attachment • Will achieve competence in common medical interventional procedures • Simulation training sessions • Weekly Grand Round • Regular opportunities to teach medical students and undertake a mentor role to PA students rotating through the department • Excellent structure for Foundation Career support • 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	To supervise the care of medically unwell patients on a consultant led medical admissions unit.
Typical working pattern in this placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morning ward round • Handover meeting • Afternoon jobs • Acute medical take sessions and sessions in ambulatory care
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. 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. 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.</p>

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