

West Midlands Central Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham

Placement	FY2 Respiratory Medicine
The department	<p>Respiratory Medicine works in close collaboration with other medical specialties.</p> <p>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.</p>
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute medical on call experience and care of respiratory and general medical in-patients on the ward • Involvement with patients requiring non-invasive ventilation and managing respiratory failure • Aspiration of pleural effusion • Insertion of chest drains • Interaction with the multidisciplinary team including physiotherapist, respiratory nurse specialists and lung cancer nurse specialists • Interpreting lung function tests • Attendance at respiratory out-patient clinics when possible • Supervision of FY1 • Encouraged to present cases at respiratory meeting • Opportunity for audit • Weekly radiology and physicians clinical meeting • Weekly respiratory group meeting including audit and governance • Excellent consultant support • Weekly FY2 teaching • Simulation training sessions • Weekly Grand Round • Opportunities to teach medical students • Excellent support structure for Foundation trainees • Career support • Monthly Education Operations meeting 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"> • Normal day: ward round either yourself or with consultant, jobs in the afternoon • On call: general medicine, 2 week blocks of shifts on CDU or 2nd on ward cover out of hours
Typical working pattern in this placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ward rounds, • Clinics, • On-call / Hospital 24/7
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. 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.