

West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust

Placement	FY1 Geriatric Medicine
The department	Medicine
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	The Elderly Care Department, comprising Dr Anil Kumar (& awaiting 1.0 WTE substantive appointment), provides a Consultant led Elderly Care Service to the Trust. There are 28 bedded inpatient wards (this is dementia friendly war). This is supported by a multidisciplinary team.
	Consultant led outpatient services for the elderly affected by Parkinson's Disease, Falls, Syncope, Dizziness and Dementia are provided.
	Daily troubleshooting ward round by Consultants to see new patients, very sick patients and patients being discharged. These ward rounds are on top of formal ward rounds of all the other patients by Consultants on a daily basis.
	Participating in multidisciplinary team meetings led by Consultant once per week.
	Participation in the Acute Medical on-call rota admitting unselected adults patients with a wide range of medical conditions.
	Opportunities to discuss management plans for these patients (helps to complete CBD's for your portfolio).
	You will be supervised by consultant & registrar. Attendance at Grand Round weekly on a Friday afternoon & departmental educational meeting every Tuesday, also AMU seminar on every Thursday.
Where the placement is based	County Hospital
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr A Kumar
Main duties of the placement	 At the end of the formal attachment you would have had experience of diagnosing and treating acute illnesses and managing a wide range of chronic conditions in older people (Giants of Geriatrics Medicine). Learning to manage the whole person rather than a disease condition. Experience of multidisciplinary team working (learning to appreciate and make use of skills of the nurse, OT, physiotherapist, social worker, speech therapist, dementia liaison team and palliative care team). Learning about services available for old people in the community (home care, residential care and voluntary agencies). You would know when and how to refer to the members of the multidisciplinary team. You would have had opportunities to talk with older people and their relatives about some ethical situations



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	 You would know when and how to use the End of life care for people who are dying.
Typical working pattern in this placement	You would be expected to present cases and management plans on ward rounds (opportunities for DOPs and CBDs).
	You would be expected to be proactive in managing patient flow, in particular around safe discharge planning.
	You would be encouraged to do an audit, which is time limited to within your 4 months of the attachment, looking at a process that you are involved with on the ward.
	You will be encouraged to do presentation at the journal club and also in the grand rounds.
	You will have regular meetings with your Educational and Clinical Supervisors as well as feedback on ward rounds
Employer information	University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust

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