

West Midlands South Foundation School

Individual Placement Description - Wye Valley NHS Trust, Hereford County Hospital

Placement	FY1 General Surgery
The department	The Surgical Department consists of 5 General Surgeons, 2 Vascular Surgeons, 2 Breast Surgeons and 3 Colorectal Surgeons. Patients served include those undergoing surgery for colorectal malignancies, breast malignancies, day cases, eg, hernia repairs,
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	This post is an excellent opportunity to gain experience in General Surgery, with the possibility of being attached to General Surgery within a specialist area such as Urology, GI surgery or Breast. The FY1 role is primarily ward based with opportunities to attend and assist in theatre during placement. Each day begins with a ward round, led by a senior member of team at which a care plan is established and subsequently carried out by the team. There are opportunities to gain experience and access learning in: ward rounds, weekly surgical specialty teaching, FY1 teaching, and handover. The surgical setting supports learning in the following areas: Good clinical Professionalism Good clinical care including history, examination, diagnosis and clinical decision making Safe prescribing Keeping Accurate Medical Records Manage Time and clinical priorities effectively Communicate effectively with patients, relatives and colleagues Recognition and management of the acutely ill patient Patients with long term conditions Core procedures Investigations Interface with different specialities Due to the nature of the working environment you will regularly receive ward based/bedside teaching which will include supervised learning events and gain feedback from higher grade doctors, consultants and clinicians working in this area. You will have the opportunity to work closely with a multi-disciplinary team to gain a full understanding of the patient's journey and your role within this.
Where the placement is based	Hereford County Hospital

Supervisor(s) for	Mr K Das
the placement	Mr E Leung
the placement	Mr S Bramhall
Main duties of the placement	To work as part of a surgical team responsible for the ongoing care of the general surgical patients and the patients in the relevant specialty of their designated consultant, e.g. Breast/GI Surgery/ Urology. You will be responsible, with other staff, for the ward care of patients and the maintenance of the patient's medical record. Duties may include arranging for specific investigations to be carried out to help with diagnosis, as well as developing practical skills such as cannulation. You will be responsible for clinical duties as allocated by consultants including supporting senior doctors in specific circumstances. You will be required to attend weekly mandatory bleep free FY1 teaching.
Typical working pattern in this placement	Full shift rota which is EWTD compliant and includes late and night shifts covering mainly surgical patients on the ward and on-call responsibilities for referred patients.
Employer information	The employer for this placement is Wye Valley NHS Trust, Hereford County Hospital.
	Wye Valley NHS Trust is a provider of health care across rural Herefordshire bringing together acute and community services.
	The Trust runs the County Hospital based in the City of Hereford, along with 3 community hospitals in the small nearby towns of Ross-on-Wye, Leominster and Bromyard, we also operate a small 22 bedded unit for patients that are not acutely ill but may need nursing and therapy intervention following their acute illness.
	We deliver a standard of care we would want for ourselves, our families and friends.
	The key principles of Wye Valley NHS Trust are to provide the right care in the right place at the right time every time.
	Our vision is to improve the health and wellbeing of the people we serve and our values are important in our everyday work: Compassion, Accountability, Respect, Excellence.

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