

West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Burton Hospital

Placement	FY2 Palliative Care
The department	
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<p>The trainee will develop palliative medicine assessment skills across the domains of physical, psychological, social and spiritual need using the Hospice multidisciplinary assessment pathway.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trainees are supported in learning palliative medicine using guidelines, algorithms, formularies and web based resources. • Trainees will develop skills in liaison with primary, secondary and tertiary care colleagues and develop their understanding of the end of life care tools. • By being involved with the admissions and discharge of patients from the hospice, trainees will gain an understanding of decisions about access to medical care and supporting self-care. • Trainees will take part in educational and other relevant activities within the hospice, e.g. clinical part of practice meeting, significant events reviews, complaints reviews • Undertake or participate in audit project • Help develop or review protocols and guidelines • The trainee will have the opportunity to shadow more senior members of the medical team delivering significant news. • Trainees will have the opportunity to set learning objectives around communication and develop skills in communicating significant news to patients with advanced progressive diseases. • The trainee will have opportunity to develop listening skills and gain a greater understanding of issues around consent and confidentiality. • The trainee will be a medical member of a large hospice multi-disciplinary team and develop an understanding of team members' roles throughout the 4 months. • The trainee will receive instruction in recognising and treating common palliative care emergencies such as cord compression, hypercalcaemia and acute severe pain.
Where the placement is based	St Giles Hospice
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr N Khan
Main duties of the placement	Prescribing Pain management
Typical working pattern in this placement	On-call - 1:9 Rota
Employer information	Burton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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