

## West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust

| Placement                                                      | FY2 - Chemical Pathology                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| The department                                                 | Dudley Pathology Service is one of the most up-to-date pathology<br>laboratories in the West Midlands and provides a comprehensive range of<br>clinical services and diagnostic investigations.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| The type of work<br>to expect and<br>learning<br>opportunities | Trainees will spend time in attending clinics in biochemistry (and immunology).<br>Performing dynamic function tests in biochemistry (day cases). Attending<br>weekly data interpretation meetings. Attending weekly Metabolic & Endocrine<br>meetings/Journal Club/tutorials, in addition to 3 hours protected teaching<br>sessions. Trainees will also undertake an audit project.             |
| Where the placement is based                                   | Russells Hall Hospital                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Supervisor(s) for the placement                                | Named supervisors are appointed in line with the GMC requirements for Clinical and Educational Supervision and will be allocated at the time of appointment                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Main duties of the placement                                   | Clinic Work: Four outpatients per week. (Clerking new patients and organising investigations). Day cases: one session per week for dynamic function tests. Attendance at the monthly MDT, and weekly data interpretation meeting. Inpatients: Ad hoc attendance at the bedside. Opportunities to understand and experience laboratory side on medicine.                                          |
| Typical working<br>pattern in this<br>placement                | Doctors on this rota work the medicine extra cover on call rota, together with an individual Work Schedule being issued.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Employer<br>information                                        | Based in the heart of the Black Country, The Dudley Group NHS Foundation<br>Trust is the main provider of hospital and adult community services to the<br>populations of Dudley, significant parts of the Sandwell borough and smaller, but<br>growing, communities in South Staffordshire and Wyre Forest.                                                                                      |
|                                                                | The first hospital trust in the area to be awarded coveted Foundation Trust status in 2008, we provide a wide range of medical, surgical and rehabilitation services.                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|                                                                | Currently the Trust serves a population of around 450,000 people from three hospital sites at Russells Hall Hospital, Guest Outpatient Centre in Dudley and Corbett Outpatient Centre in Stourbridge. The Trust provides the full range of secondary care services and some specialist services for the wider populations of the Black Country and West Midlands region. The Trust also provides |



| specialist adult community based care in patients' homes and in more than 40 centres in the Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council community.                                                                                       |
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| Our hospitals are among some of the most technologically advanced in the country, where state-of-the-art equipment and modern, purpose-built buildings combine to create the highest standards of patient care.                  |
| In a year we…                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| deliver 4,700 babies                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <ul> <li>see around 500,000 outpatients</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <ul> <li>treat almost 100,000 patients in our emergency department</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                    |
| maintain our 13,000 Public Members                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| The hospital has a state of the art Education Centre, Simulation Facility and excellent library facilities. It also has an Undergraduate Teaching Academy taking over 500 medical students from Birmingham University each year. |

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