

## West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Russells Hall Hospital

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| <b>Placement</b>                                             | FY1 - Geriatric Medicine                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>The department</b>                                        | <p>This department has consultants specialising in areas such as Orthogeriatrics, Parkinson's Disease, memory problems, acute elderly care and rehabilitation.</p> <p>There is a 'Forget me not' Unit for patients with memory problems, 'Parkinson's Unit' and general geriatric beds. Front door 'Frailty service' includes acute geriatric assessment area and short stay beds for frail elderly patients.</p> <p>Outpatient clinics are held at Corbett, Russells Hall and Guest Hospitals. Consultants have general Geriatrics as well as sub-speciality clinics like Parkinson's Disease, Falls and Memory clinics.</p> |
| <b>The type of work to expect and learning opportunities</b> | <p>In this post you will gain experience in a wide variety of geriatric and general medicine conditions and get exposure to clinical pharmacology of older people.</p> <p>Clinical work will include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• History taking &amp; examination of the patients.</li> <li>• Requesting investigations and acting upon the results.</li> <li>• Presenting cases to seniors (Consultants and registrars)</li> </ul> <p>You will have an opportunity to teach medical students and perform supervised practical procedures.</p> <p>There is a weekly, protected teaching programme.</p>       |
| <b>Where the placement is based</b>                          | Russells Hall Hospital                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Supervisor(s) for the placement</b>                       | Named supervisors are appointed in line with the GMC requirements for Clinical and Educational Supervision and will be allocated at the time of appointment.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Main duties of the placement</b>                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily ward rounds led by Consultants and SpRs.</li> <li>• Supervised day to day management of inpatients.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Typical working pattern in this placement</b>             | Full shift with on call commitment, together with an individual Work Schedule being issued.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Employer information</b>                                  | Based in the heart of the Black Country, The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust is the main provider of hospital and adult community services to the populations of Dudley, significant parts of the Sandwell borough and smaller, but growing, communities in South Staffordshire and Wyre Forest.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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|  | <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>In a year we...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• deliver 4,700 babies</li> <li>• see around 500,000 outpatients</li> <li>• treat almost 100,000 patients in our emergency department</li> <li>• maintain our 13,000 Public Members</li> </ul> |
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It is important to note that this description is a typical example of your placement and may be subject to change.