

West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust

Placement	FY2 - Acute Internal Medicine
The department	The Acute Medical department in Russells Hall Hospital consists of the Acute Medicine Unit (AMU) and Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC). The Acute Medicine department operates closely with the Emergency Department and admits patients 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	All resident doctors rotate between the assessment area and the short stay ward, spending approximately half of their time on each area. Type of work includes: - daily morning ward round and responsibility for the clinical care and handover of the patients seen. - assessment of emergency admissions and discussion of the case with consultants. There is informal bedside teaching by consultants and registrars and a weekly formal teaching session. Resident doctors are expected to deliver at least one teaching session to their peers during their placement, have the opportunity to take part in audit and teach medical students. There is a weekly 3 hour protected teaching programme as well as the opportunity to attend weekly x-ray, Journal Club and Grand Round meetings.
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	In the assessment area duties include: - daily morning ward round and responsibility for the clinical care and handover of the patients seen. - assessment of emergency admissions and discussion of the case with consultants. The duties on the short stay ward include a daily consultant-led ward round.
Typical working pattern in this placement	Full shift with on call commitment, together with an individual Work Schedule being issued.

Employer information	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. 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. 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 • see around 500,000 outpatients • treat almost 100,000 patients in our emergency department • 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.
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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.