

West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust

Placement	FY2 - Emergency Medicine
The department	The Emergency Department (ED) is located at Russells Hall Hospital and is a 24/7 service. This is the major ED in the area and serves the population of Dudley and surrounding areas.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	The trainee will be a full member of the ED workforce at DGH, comprising 4 FY2s, 9GPVTS, 4 CT1s, 11 Trust Grade junior doctors, 10 Advanced Care Practitioners, 3 Physician Associates, 4 registrars ST4+, 3 Junior Middle Grades ST3, 11 Trust ED middle-grades and 18 Consultants. There is a full induction programme. Each FY2 has a designated consultant supervisor/mentor. There is a formal 3 hour clinical teaching programme for all FY2s every Tuesday afternoon and additional ED teaching on Friday mornings. Junior doctors are fully supported with shop-floor consultant supervision 0800 to 2400h 365 days and middle-grade supervision outside these hours.
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	During the Emergency Medicine placement, the FY2 doctor gains extensive clinical experience across all aspects of emergency care. The role involves assessing and managing undifferentiated patients presenting with a wide range of acute medical, surgical, and trauma-related conditions. FY2 doctors are expected to develop the skills necessary to prioritise and manage patients safely in a high-pressure, fast-paced environment. This includes initiating investigations, formulating differential diagnoses, and implementing initial management plans under supervision. Throughout the placement, FY2 doctors are supported by consultants who are present in the department for 16 hours a day and by senior registrars who provide supervision and guidance 24/7. This structured support ensures a safe learning environment while allowing FY2 doctors to build confidence and clinical competence. The placement also encourages active participation in multidisciplinary teamwork and fosters development in communication, decision-making, and procedural skills essential for emergency care

Typical working pattern in this placement	Full shift.
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.

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

