

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F1
Placement	Intensive Care Unit (ICU)
Department	Critical Care
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<p>The Adult Critical Care Department at the LGI consists of four intensive care units (one general, one neurological and two cardiac) and two high dependency units. The department is also responsible for the outreach service providing support for sick patients throughout the hospital.</p> <p>The post-holder will work primarily on the general unit and the associated high dependency areas and will be fully integrated into the multidisciplinary ICU team.</p> <p>Day to day responsibilities will involve the assessment and management of critical ill patients both within and outside the ICU, including resuscitation situations after trauma (in the ED) and after cardiac arrest as part of the crash team. However, at all times the post-holder will remain supernumerary and will work in tandem with an experienced ICU trainee. The degree of freedom and responsibility afforded to the post-holder will be adjusted throughout the placement to reflect growing experience and ability.</p> <p>The post-holder will also be encouraged to engage in the sometimes complex ethical and legal decisions regarding futility of care, best interests and end of life care that are common in the ICU, and will similarly have the opportunity to become involved in associated MDT meetings and discussions with the patient and their families.</p> <p>The post-holder will become familiar with basic and advanced airway management, cardiovascular and respiratory support including inotropic management and invasive and non-invasive ventilation. Invasive practical procedures such as central line insertion, arterial cannulation, intercostal drainage and lumbar puncture are routine on the ICU, and the post-holder will be taught how to perform these procedures and will have the opportunity to develop independent competence as the placement progresses.</p> <p>The Critical Care department offers unparalleled opportunities to develop familiarity, knowledge and skills necessary for the management of critical ill</p>

	patients. These are generic skills that will prove valuable in whatever career the post-holder subsequently pursues.
Where the placement is based	Wards L3
Educational and Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr J Howard, Dr A Pittard, Dr J Oram
Main duties of the placement	Participation in daily consultant ward rounds (3 per day). Daily assessment of ICU patients. Participation in resuscitation on ICU, wards and in the ED as experience allows. Practical procedures as competence allows
Typical working pattern in this placement	Day-to-day work on the critical care wards starting at 8am and finishing at 6pm. On-call responsibilities to be confirmed
Employer	Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

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