

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F1
Placement	Emergency Medicine
Department	<p>The Accident and Emergency Department at the Northern General Hospital sees 110,000 new cases per year. The staff includes 15 Consultants, 2 Professors in Emergency Medicine, 9 Specialty Registrars, 1 CT3 and 24 CT1/CT2's / F2s and one F1. Nurse practitioners operate in the department and will staff the Minor Injuries Unit and also staff the Minor Injuries Unit at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital (there are no duties for F1s at this MIU).</p> <p>Clinical duties of the F1 in emergency medicine are:</p> <p>(a) In-patient management of minor head injuries who don't need neurosurgery. The F1 will be responsible for the day-to-day management of these patients and will attend the daily ward round with the consultant. They will principally be responsible for organising the further management, investigation, discharge and referral of these patients under the direct supervision of the consultant. In particular the responsibility for completing the VT assessment form lies with the F1 doctor.</p> <p>(b) When not engaged in managing the in-patient head injuries the F1 will have the opportunity to assess and initially manage the acutely ill and injured patient attending the emergency department again under the direct supervision of a registrar or consultant. Specific training will be given in the management and assessment of patients presenting with chest pain and possible DVT and pulmonary embolus. In addition there will be an opportunity for gaining clinical skills such as wound assessment, suturing, assessment of joints and patients presenting with minor illness and injury. It will be expected that good record keeping including outcome coding will be undertaken on all patients seen.</p> <p>The F1 doctor will receive clinical supervision by the clinical director who will be responsible for ensuring that their portfolio is kept up-to-date. The F1 doctor will have the opportunity of attending F1 training on Thursday lunchtime.</p>

<p>The type of work to expect and learning opportunities</p>	<p>The Department of Health, through its policy of Modernising Medical Careers, has set out the educational content of the two year foundation programme to be pursued by newly qualified doctors in the United Kingdom. A curriculum has been set out describing the key knowledge, skills and attitudes that must be achieved by junior doctors before they progress onto specialist training.</p> <p>The Postgraduate Dean has confirmed that these posts have the required education and staffing approval. All of the rotations will run in association with Deanery staff, who will support a structured appraisal and assessment process that will allow successful applicants to make the most use of available opportunities. Ten mandatory educational days are included in the Foundation Programme.</p> <p>The GMC emphasise that it is a duty of all doctors to be involved in the education and training of doctors at all levels, including undergraduate level.</p> <p>In more recent years emphasis has been placed on the need for doctors to be trained in educational approaches in order to prepare them for their role as an educator in the future.</p> <p>Foundation training is about gaining generic skills which can be applied across all specialties and throughout an entire career.</p>
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<p>Main duties of the placement</p>	<p>Day to day management of patients under consultant care.</p> <p>On call duties as required under the hospital at night system. F1 duties are mainly centered on the wards with occasional attendance in the operating theatres. F1s may be expected to attend out-patients clinics.</p> <p>Attendance at cardiac arrests and ward rounds held by consultant and registrar.</p> <p>Completion of death certification and/or the first part of the cremation certificate, when necessary.</p> <p>F1s are responsible for the clerking of patients on admission and the initial arrangements for the routine management of these patients including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • history taking, examination and differential diagnosis. • management of acute and chronically ill patients with appropriate diagnostic testing and reviewing the results • assessment of all patients arriving for elective admission, both in medicine and surgical specialities <p>Communicate effectively with other hospital staff, patients and relatives after training disclosure of bad news.</p> <p>Arrange initial simple investigations and following discussion with senior staff organise more complex investigations.</p> <p>F1s are responsible for the majority of prescribing albeit under supervision.</p> <p>Discharge planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • F1s are responsible for ensuring that patients are discharged with the appropriate drugs and seeing that the patients understand the use of these. • F1s are required to complete a brief discharge note for the patients' general practitioner at the time of the patients' discharge from hospital. <p>Attendance at mandatory trust and deanery training sessions (including induction). The number of mandatory training days is 5 days.</p> <p>Maintaining portfolio of evidence of training in line with the foundation training programme.</p> <p>The cover of colleagues on annual leave and short-term sickness.</p> <p>Any other duties commensurate with the grade which may be allocated from time to time.</p> <p>Foundation Doctors should be advised that they will also be required to perform duties in occasional emergencies and unforeseen circumstances at the request of the appropriate consultants in consultation, where practicable, with senior and junior colleagues.</p> <p>Additional commitments arising from such circumstances are exceptional and work of this kind should not be required for prolonged periods or on a</p>
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Typical working pattern in this placement	The rotations are 3 x 4 month rotations between various specialties.
Employer	Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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