

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F1
Placement	Neurology
Department	<p>The Neurological Department is a tertiary referral centre based at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital providing a clinical service to a population of approximately 2 million. The Department consists of 54 inpatient beds, a Hyper Acute Stroke Unit - with thrombolysis service, a Neuro Day-Care Unit and a Neurology Admissions Unit.</p> <p>It has access to neuro-intensive care and is closely allied with the Neurophysiology, Neurosurgery, Neuropsychology and Neuroradiology Departments to ensure optimum comprehensive investigation and treatment.</p> <p>The Department has strong research and teaching links with the University of Sheffield Medical School and provides regular teaching for undergraduates participating in neurological instruction.</p> <p>The F1 will work with F2/CMT doctors and be responsible for supervising the day to day care of neurological inpatients under the supervision of Consultants and Specialty Registrars. This post has the support of a nurse practitioner. The F1 will have the opportunity to participate in the teaching of undergraduates plus participation in audit and quality improvement projects. Time is also provided for the attendance at clinics (hospital and/or community based) or with the community neurology nurses specialist teams. The neurology department has an established weekly academic meeting with case presentations and visiting speakers. In addition, the F grade doctors have a specially tailored weekly seminar programme to enhance their training within the department.</p> <p>With the F2 and CMT doctors the F1 provides first on-call cover for emergency neurological admissions on a daytime rota. In addition, the F1 will be expected to participate in the Hospital out of hours rota.</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. Foundation Drs will have experience in stoke management.</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 regular</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.