

Foundation Training Job Description

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Grade	F2
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Placement	Elderly Medicine Our department is an integral part of the hospital, providing specialist assessment and care for patients with multiple co-morbidities and supporting the general medicine acute take. In addition to managing older people with general medical problems we provide a specialist orthogeriatric service, short stay elderly care unit and acute frailty units – Acute Care of the Elderly Units.
	At Dewsbury and District Hospital, there are two main elderly base wards which juniors will be allocated to and an acute care of the elderly unit. The latter is mainly staffed by the on call team. There is consultant presence within the acute care of the elderly unit on a daily basis and regular consultant wards on both of the base wards.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	Working in conjunction with other junior doctors and consultant to establish patients' diagnoses and formulate treatment plans.
	The job of FY2 will include supervising the FY1 thereby developing some leadership skills and working along with a GP trainee. The job entails managing acute medical emergencies as they arise from time to time as well as routinely seeing patients on other days when there is no ward round, following up investigations as directed by the consultants and sometimes initiating themselves when required.
	On both sites, the work includes ward work which includes reviewing of patients, ordering of investigations, undertaking bedside investigations such as blood tests and ECGs and communication with patients, their relatives and other members of the multidisciplinary team.
	On call duties are based at both Dewsbury and District Hospital and Pinderfields Hospital. There is some on calls covering base wards and others which are on the acute assessment areas within medicine either the Acute Admissions Unit or one of the two Acute Care of the Elderly Units.
	On both sites a Monday lunchtime programme is run within the department providing teaching on a variety of topics including clinical governance. Juniors are encouraged to attend the grand round which takes place every Tuesday. Quality improvement work is encouraged in the department and juniors are supported to complete quality improvement projects and partake in Trust wide audits. Dedicated F1 teaching is also provided by the Trust.
Where the placement is based	Dewsbury & District Hospital and Pinderfields Hospital on the orthogeriatrics ward/ elderly care wards
Educational and Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr Abhay Das Dr Frank Phelan Dr James Murgatroyd Dr Ian Craig (retiring March 2020, to be replaced with new appointment) A number of consultants across the department act as Educational and Clinical Supervisors across both sites of the organisation as consultants rotate wards at the same time as juniors rotate. The consultants working in the department are as follows: Dr Sanjay Bangad Dr Christian Blyth Dr Niall Cox

	Dr Abhay Das Dr Bushra Ghouri Dr Steven Grimshaw Dr Rachel Holt Dr Rhiannon Humphreys Dr James Murgatroyd Dr Valentine Ngwa Dr Roxanne Owen Dr Frank Phelan Dr Zuzanna Sawicka Dr Helen Slater
Main duties of the placement	Core aspects of elderly care will be included. Medicine of the elderly will include many patients included in the so called Geriatric Giants of Instability, Immobility, Intellectual Decline, Incontinence and latrogenic Disease. There is considerable expertise and liaison in palliative care, neurological disease, heart failure, atrial fibrillation and metabolic derangement. There will be a large number of patients with cognitive impairment in whom the issues of consent and capacity are challenging. The posts are ideal environments to improve communication skills with patients and relatives. Multidisciplinary working is a key feature of elderly care and understanding other professional roles in planning complex discharges in patients with many disease processes will be an expected learning outcome.
	The elderly medicine posts at both of our hospital offer the excellent experience of medicine in older adults. We operate an acute take for elderly patients separate from those admitted under general medicine and also accept direct ambulance admissions on both sites for frail older people during standard working hours.
	The trainee will get excellent clinical experience in all facets of general medicine. Trainees in our department are expected to provide opportunistic teaching for 3rd and 5th year medical students from the University of Leeds.
Typical working pattern in this placement	Consultant ward rounds three times a week with an opportunity for juniors to go to outpatient clinic The working pattern is a combination of day and night shifts which allows the trainee a breadth of experience within general and elderly medicine. The rota pattern averages out to 1 in 4 weekends and 1 in 6 weekdays, with on call periods being 3 to 4 days long. The majority, standard day shifts are from 9-5.
Employer	The Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust

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