**East Anglia Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**

**West Suffolk Hospital NHS Trust**

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| **Placement** | FY1 – Breast/General Surgery |
| **The department** | The Department of Breast Surgery includes 2 consultants and 1 clinical fellow. One consultant has a specialist interest in onco-plastic breast surgery. One consultant is both a breast/endocrine surgeon and a general surgeon and as such works one in every six weeks and one in every six weekends on call.  The Department also includes a team of specialist nurses and radiologists with a specialist interest in breast imaging.  The Department serves the catchment area of West Suffolk. |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | The overall educational objectives of the F1 year are to provide the trainee with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be able to   * Take a history and examine a patient * Identify and synthesise problems * Prescribe safely * Keep an accurate and relevant medical record * Manage time and clinical priorities effectively * Communicate effectively with patients, relatives and colleagues * Use evidence, guidelines and audit to benefit patient care * Act in a professional manner at all times * Cope with ethical and legal issues which occur during the management of patients with general medical problems * Educate patients effectively * Become life-long learners and teachers. |
| **Where the placement is based** | West Suffolk Hospital – Bury St Edmunds. Primarily wards F5/F6 |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement** | MrE. Coveney |
| **Main duties of the placement** | The F1 doctor is responsible with other staff for the ward care of patients and the maintenance of the patient’s medical record.  They will on occasion be required to assist in theatre. There is also opportunity to join the consultants in clinic.  On around 10-15 occasions during the placement the FY1 will be scheduled to attend pre-assessment clinic to assess patients before elective surgery. |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | *Daily:* 08:00 Ward round  08:00 – 1700 Ward cover  Tues: 12:30 FY1 teaching  Wed: 12:30 Grand round  Thurs: 12:45Departmental x-ray meeting  Sat: 08:00 – 20:30 1 in 9  Sun: 08:00 – 20:30 1 in 9  *On call requirements:*  1 week in 6 – Normal days  1 week in 6 – Late on-call 13:00 – 20:30  1 weekend in 9  There will also be between 1-2 weeks of late elective work covering the elective patients between the hours of 13:00 – 22:00 |
| **Employer information** | - |

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