**East Anglia Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**

**James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

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| **Placement** | Foundation Year 1 in General Surgery |
| **The department** | The Department consists of 9 modern fully equipped theatres with one dedicated to surgical emergencies. The theatre suite includes a recovery ward and is adjacent to a fully equipped Intensive Care Unit (under the supervision of a Consultant Anaesthetist) and High Dependency Unit. There are two theatres dedicated for general surgical and urological use providing 20 general surgical and Urology sessions per week and a third theatre dedicated to emergency work. Experience will be gained across the specialties. There are weekly lectures on a variety of topics and X-Ray meetings are held. Foundation Year 1 Trainees will be required to work a full shift system and attend daily morning ward rounds with the Specialty Trainee(s), Specialty Registrar’s, Specialty Doctors, Associate Specialists and Consultants. Contribute to the care of in-patients, attend occasional out patient clinics, assist with operating lists, maintain the upkeep of medical notes and complete discharge letters to GPs. He/she will be required to arrange admission and discharge of patients under the supervision of the Specialty trainees and Consultants. Trainees may be required to assist in the care of private patients and to clerk patients both on the ward and in the pre-assessment clinics. |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | All Doctors in hospital posts will generally be ward based during the ‘normal’ working day and expected to deliver the daily medical care of all the patients on their ward irrespective of specialty.  The overall educational objectives of the F1 year are to provide the trainee with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be able to meet the Foundation Programme curriculum.   * Take a history and examine a patient. * Keep an accurate and legible medical record. * Prescribe Safely. * 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 within the specialty. * Educate patients effectively. * Maintain life-long learning and teaching. * FY1’s are expected to support undergraduates. |
| **Where the placement is based** | James Paget University Hospital |
| **Clinical Supervisor(so) for the placement** | All trainees are provided with a named Clinical Supervisor from the list of Clinical Supervisor trainers. |
| **Main duties of the placement** | The doctor is responsible with other staff for the ward care of patients and the maintenance of the patient’s medical record. They will have opportunity to work with the consultants in outpatients clinics on occasions and also take responsibility for problems arising in the specialty with patients on the ward. They are expected to attend the structured teaching programmers provided by the department. The doctor will be responsible for such other specific clinical duties as allocated by consultants including performing other duties in occasional emergencies and unforeseen circumstances. |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | Normal Working Day 0800hrs – 1700hrs  Oncall Day 0800hrs – 2030hrs  Night Duty 2000hrs – 0830hrs  Pre-Operative Assessment 0930hrs – 1630hrs  The Foundation Year 1 Trainee will participate in a 1:11 full shift system which includes the Trusts Hospital at Night system.  Rota shift times and frequency are subject to change. |
| **Employer information** | The James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust became the first Foundation Trust in Norfolk and Suffolk on 1st August 2006.  The 522 bedded acute hospital at the James Paget University Hospital in Gorleston is supported by services at Lowestoft Hospital, the Newberry Centre Children’s Clinic and other outreach clinics throughout the area. The hospital employs 3,122 staff.  As a University Hospital, over one third of the medical students are trained from the University of East Anglia. There is a strong national reputation for research and excellence in the quality of training facilities.  As a Foundation Trust, there is the ability to develop services to meet the needs of our local community. This means local people and staff are directly involved in decisions about their hospitals and can influence the future. |

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