**East Anglia Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**

**West Suffolk Hospital NHS Trust**

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| **Placement** | General Surgery FY2 |
| **The department** | General surgery, Upper GI team consisting of 2 general surgeons, one SpR, one FY2 and two FY1s, plus a specialist upper GI nurse  The team covers elective upper GI work such as laparoscopic cholecystectomies, Nissen Fundoplications, as well as general on-call work which can be anything from appendicectomies to hemicolectomies. |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | Excellent opportunities to attend theatre and learn surgical skills as part of a friendly team. Opportunities also exist to take clinics (supervised by the consultant) and attend endoscopy. Active participation in MDTs, audit and research is encouraged. |
| **Where the placement is based** | West Suffolk Hospital |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement** | Mr Vickery |
| **Main duties of the placement** | Support FY1’s with ward work looking after elective patients.  On call at nights covering general surgery, orthopaedics and urology with non-resident SpR as support. This provides an excellent opportunity to begin to develop more independent practice.  Weekend on-calls where the FY2 role is to see A&E referrals for general surgery and urology as well as assist the FY1s with GP referrals and ward work  FY2s and FY1s are required to take pre-operative assessment clinics about once a week. |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | Typical working pattern in this post e.g. ward rounds, clinics, theatre sessions  Daily/weekly/monthly (if applicable)  Mon: 8-5PM  Tues: 8-5PM  Wed: 8-5PM  Thurs: 8-5PM  Fri: 8-5PM  Sat:  Sun:  The normal working week involves a daily ward round. There is usually operating in both main theatres and day surgery 3-4 days per week as well as several afternoons in endoscopy.  *On call requirements:* Usually 2 weekends of nights plus one 4 day week of nights during the 4 month attachment plus one weekend of normal days and one weekend of long days |
| **Employer information**  The post is based at the West Suffolk hospital, Bury St Edmunds which is a district general hospital in the historic town of Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk. |  |

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**Appendix F – Individual placement description (Example)**

**South Standard Foundation School**

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| **Placement** | F2 Acute paediatrics and neonates. |
| **The department** | The Dept of Paediatrics comprises 5 Consultant paediatricians of whom 4 do acute General paediatric and neonatal on-call. There are interests in Epilepsy. Allergy, Asthma, Diabetes. All pediatric and neonatal pathology is represented  The department serves South Exampleshire with a catchment population of 150,000.  The department is closely linked with tertiary services in Canchester and Smitherton. |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | All F1 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. Whilst in the EAU attachment the F1 will be involved with the generic clerking of patients being admitted and the ongoing care of the patients in the unit.  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** | Anytown District General Hospital; Wards P1 & P2. |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement** | Dr Deirdre Jones & Dr Mark Andrew |
| **Main duties of the placement** | The F2 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 for at least one day each week, and also take responsibility for problems arising in General Paediatrics or neonatal patients on the ward. They are expected to attend the structured teaching programmes 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** | *Daily:* 0900 Ward round  1200/1700/2100 Handover  Mon: 1100 – 1700 Assessment unit.  Tues: 1400 Out patients clinic  Wed: 1300 Grand round  (1400 formal teaching programme)  Thurs: 1100 departmental teaching program  Fri: Ward cover  Sat: 0900 – 2100 1 in 5/6  Sun: 0900 – 2100 1 in 5/6  *On call requirements:*  1 in 5 with flexible twilight shifts. |
| **Employer information** | The employer for this post is Smitherton NHS Foundation Trust.  The post will be based in Anytown District General Hospital Smitherton, which is a medium sized acute NHS Foundation Trust and provides an extensive range of secondary services for the growing local community of approximately 280,000. About 25% of the population is over 65. In the summer months the population increases by up to 100,000 visitors. |

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