**East Anglia Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**

**Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**

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| **Placement** | F1 Paediatrics |
| **The department** | The F1 doctor in Paediatrics trains and works in the dedicated Woman & Child wing of the new Peterborough City Hospital. The paediatric area consists of Amazon Ward (30 beds, including two high-dependency), Jungle Assessment Unit (8 beds), Rainforest Outpatient Department and a neonatal unit. The medical staff consists of 10 consultants, 8 middle grade doctors and 14 other junior grade doctors. The department operates a Consultant of the Week system to ensure that there is always a consultant present to supervise and train junior doctors. |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | The F1 doctor in paediatrics is primarily based on Amazon Ward and the Jungle Assessment Unit. Working on the ward allows the trainee to become familiar with a wide range of childhood illnesses and chronic conditions. Experience on the Assessment Unit allows the trainees to see children at presentation and take part in initial management, including recognition and stabilisation of the sick child. Brief attachments to the neonatal unit are possible. In addition to ward based training, there are regular educational activities throughout the week that the F1 doctor is encouraged to attend. These include weekly consultant led seminars, educational meetings, and case presentations.  All F1 doctors in hospital posts will general 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:   * 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** | Peterborough City Hospital: Amazon Ward |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement** | Dr M Richardson |
| **Main duties of the placement** | The F1 participates as a full member of the junior medical team and is encouraged to take part in the clerking and initial management of sick children as well as providing care for children already admitted to the ward. The F1 doctor is closely supervised by paediatric registrars and the Consultant of the Week at all times. |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | The F1 doctor works “normal working hours” as below. This allows for adequate supervision and support at all times.  Mon: 08:30 -16:30  Tues: 08:30 -16:30  Wed: 08:30 -16:30  Thurs: 08:30 -16:30  Fri: 08:30 -16:30  Sat: OFF  Sun: OFF  Occasionally, the F1 doctor may be asked to work 11.00 – 19.00 to experience activity during the early evening when many patients are admitted.  There is a formal handover and ward round every day from 08.30. The handover is supervised by the Consultant of the Week each day and he or she leads the ward round 3 to 4 times per week. The remainder of the day is spent on ward-based activities and/or clerking new patients on the Assessment Unit. There are educational meetings (as above) on three days each week.  *On call requirements:* none |
| **Employer information** | The employer for this post is Peterborough & Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.  The post will be based in Peterborough City Hospital.  A new acute hospital development, Peterborough City Hospital comprises an Emergency Care Centre, Woman & Child Unit, a diagnostic and treatment centre, inpatient (611 beds), cancer services and an educational and training centre. The Trust provides acute hospital care for a population of approximately 350,000. |

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