**East Anglia Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**

**Ipswich Hospital NHS Trust**

All information to be completed by the Foundation School.

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| **Placement** | Emergency Medicine  |
| **The department** | The Emergency Department has just approved funding for 6 Consultants and has operated with middle grade ‘shop floor ‘cover 24/7 since 2006. The Department moved to the ground floor of a new PFI building, the Garrett Anderson centre in 2008. It has ‘state of the art’ facilities, including a modern spacious resuscitation facility, separate cubicle assessment space for ambulance cases, an ambulatory care area and a security locked children’s assessment and waiting area.The Department serves East Suffolk with a catchment population of 350,000. There are 60,000 attendances per year with daily figures that average 170/day fluctuating between 140 - 230/day. We are part of the Regional Trauma Network and expect to be designated a Trauma Unit within this soon to be established system. We perform Stroke thrombolysis 24/7 and have excellent referral pathways to the 3 nearest Heart Attack Centres and our Regional Neurosurgical Centre.  |
| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | All the work is based in the Emergency Department. It is a busy unit seeing a broad spectrum of undifferentiated urgent and emergency case work in adults and children. The F2 supervised work will provide the trainee with the opportunity to gain the knowledge, skills and attitudes to confidently manage an appropriate emergency case load. In particular, it will allow development of the following skills –* Take a history and examine a patient
* Identify and synthesize 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
* Educate patients effectively
* Become a lifelong learner and teacher
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| **Where the placement is based** | Emergency Department, Ipswich hospital NHS Trust  |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement** | All the consultants are involved in the clinical supervision of F2 posts. |
| **Main duties of the placement** | To work in a consultant supervised environment with the Emergency Department team to appropriately diagnose, treat and advise any patient presenting to the service.  |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | The work pattern involves 48 hours per week including 2.5 hours protected teaching. It is full shift, on a rolling 9 week rotation. The week of nights are split.   |
| **Employer information** | The Ipswich Hospital NHS trust is situated on the edge of Ipswich, County town of Suffolk. It has approximately 550 beds and covers a mixed urban and rural population of 360000 people. The hospital is close to beautiful countryside and the Suffolk Heritage Coast but has easy links to London (just over an hour by train). The hospital has a full range of diagnostic facilities and a well-resourced library and postgraduate centre. |

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

  

**South Standard Foundation School**

**Individual Placement Description**