

# Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F1
Placement	Department for Medicine for the Elderly
Department	<p>The Department of Medicine for the Elderly (DME) has 5 wards in 2 hospitals, Hull Royal Infirmary (HRI) and Castle Hill Hospital (CHH). All wards are equal, managing acute medical issues and rehabilitating patients. There are 10 consultants.</p> <p>All medical admissions to Hull Royal Infirmary are channelled through the Acute Assessment Unit. The department is responsible for all patients aged 80 (or 75 years if patient has indicators of frailty) and over in the Acute Assessment Unit. Once the patient leaves the AAU, a ward-based system is in operation. The geriatricians are responsible for all medical patients on ward 8, 80 and 70 in HRI and ward 19 and 21 CHH. You are also expected to look after patients under geriatricians in the outlying areas (currently ward 9, 90 in HRI). A phlebotomy service operates every morning on all the Wards.</p>
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To build upon undergraduate education and FY1 experience</li> <li>• To gain experience and familiarity in dealing with a wide variety of medical conditions</li> <li>• To develop the skills of history taking, physical examination, appropriate investigation and rational prescribing</li> <li>• To master several basic medical techniques</li> <li>• To improve communication skills with patients, relatives and colleagues</li> <li>• To develop skills in managing time and conflicting priorities</li> </ul> <p>At the end of the four month period the FY1 will have obtained experience in the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Diagnosing a wide range of common conditions</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treatment of a wide range of common conditions</li> <li>• Management of a wide range of common conditions</li> <li>• Trainees will be given audit topics to prepare at the start of their work in the department</li> </ul>
Where the placement is based	Hull Royal Infirmary / Castle Hill Hospital
Educational and Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement	Will be allocated when you join the training programme
Main duties of the placement	<p>Consultants are present 0800 - 2200 hrs during weekdays and 0800 - 1700 during weekend days. Middle Grades and SpR's are present 24/7 for teaching/support/advice. This means that you will never be expected to make difficult decisions `on your own`. There are plenty of opportunities for `shopfloor teaching` and you will be expected to participate in the initial management of critical illness under supervision.</p> <p>The rota you will be expected to work is a full shift rota. The average contracted hours must not be exceeded. However, in exceptional circumstances, practitioners in the grades of Senior Registrar, Specialist Registrar, Core Trainees and F2 shall be expected in the normal run of their duties, and within their contract and job description to cover for the occasional brief absence of colleagues as far as is practicable. Sick colleagues will normally be covered only for short periods of absence.</p> <p>In addition practitioners will be prepared to perform duties in occasional Emergencies and unforeseen circumstances without additional remuneration but may be granted time off in lieu at the discretion of the employing trust.</p> <p>Commitments arising in such circumstances are, however, exceptional and the practitioner should not be required to undertake work of this kind for prolonged periods or on a regular basis.</p>
Typical working pattern in this placement	Typical working pattern in this post e.g. ward rounds, clinics, theatre sessions.
Employer	Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust

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