

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F2
Placement	Acute Assessment Unit
Department	The AAU, with a capacity of 50, is the flagship of the Department of Acute Medicine. In 2005, the Unit received greater than 19000 admissions. The philosophy of the Unit is immediate evaluation, stabilisation and transfer. It provides a broad range of unselect medical training with opportunity to work with two Acute Physicians, specialists in Gastroenterology, Rheumatology, Nephrology, Elderly Medicine, Diabetes and Endocrinology, all of whom participate in Medical Receiving. In addition, the Unit is actively supported by Neurologists and Cardiologists, as all acute admissions related to these specialties initially present here. Intermediate Care team, Operational Support and Bed Bureau are based on the Unit, facilitating referrals and patient flow.
	It is supported by state of art diagnostics.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	 To build upon undergraduate education. To gain experience and familiarity in dealing with a wide variety of medical conditions. To develop the skills of history taking, physical examination, appropriate investigation and rational prescribing. To master several basic medical techniques. To improve communication skills with patients, relatives and colleagues. To develop skills in managing time and conflicting priorities.
	At the end of the four month period the FY2 will have obtained experience in the following: • Diagnosing a wide range of common conditions

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	Treatment of a wide range of common conditions Management of a wide range of common conditions
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Where the placement is based	Hull Royal Infirmary
Main duties of the placement	Acute medicine STRs currently support the Unit during the hours 0900 – 1700. Medical Registrars (27), drawn from the medical specialties participate in the on-call commitment to the Unit and Department of Emergency Medicine.
	Foundation medical staff will work under direct supervision of the Middle grade doctors and Consultants. They will evaluate and clerk new admissions, identify those requiring immediate attention, work to guidelines and pathways, present cases to their seniors, actively participate on Consultant ward rounds, gain experience and expertise at the commonly carried out clinical procedures and attend Teaching/Training sessions. They would be expected to complete all documentation as per Trust guidelines, inclusive of completing the Immediate Discharge Letter.
	The average contracted hours must not be exceeded. However, in exceptional circumstances, practitioners in the grades of Senior Registrar, Specialist Registrar, Senior House Officer and House Officer 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.
	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. 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.
Typical working pattern in this placement	A full shift rota comprising of long and short shifts including nights and weekends.
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.

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