

## **Foundation Training Job Description**

Grade	F1
Placement	Paediatrics
Department	Medical Services comprise Oncology, Haematology (including Bone Marrow Transplantation), Respiratory, Neurology, Gastroenterology, Hepatology, Cardiology, Renal, Metabolic, Metabolic Bone Disease and Immunological Paediatrics. The hospital has a separate children's Emergency Department that sees about 52,000 new patients per year.
	There is full on-site laboratory and radiological support, including MRI and spiral CT with a 3T scanner. The Radiologists provide an Echocardiography service and although the Cardiology service is based at Leeds General Infirmary we have a Cardiologist on site for advice
	Sheffield Children's Hospital The Sheffield Children's Hospital is approximately one mile from the City Centre on the South-West aspect of Sheffield, close to the Royal Hallamshire Hospital and the Jessop Wing (Obstetrics/Neonates), the Charles Clifford Dental Hospital, Weston Park Radiotherapy and Oncology Hospital, the Medical School and the main University Campus.
	Adjoining the Children's Hospital is the Stephenson Building, which contains the Academic Division of Child Health (www.shef.ac.uk/childhealth), Education & Skills Centre with includes - Illingworth Library, Clinical Skills and Postgraduate Medical Education Centre





## The type of work to expect and learning opportunities

The Department of Health, through its policy of Modernising Medical Careers, has set out the educational content of the two year foundation programme to be pursued by newly qualified doctors in the United Kingdom. A curriculum has been set out describing the key knowledge, skills and attitudes that must be achieved by junior doctors before they progress onto specialist training.

The Postgraduate Dean has confirmed that these posts have the required education and staffing approval. All of the rotations will run in association with Deanery staff, who will support a structured appraisal and assessment process that will allow successful applicants to make the most use of available opportunities. Ten mandatory educational days are included in the Foundation Programme.

The GMC emphasise that it is a duty of all doctors to be involved in the education and training of doctors at all levels, including undergraduate level.

In more recent years emphasis has been placed on the need for doctors to be trained in educational approaches in order to prepare them for their role as an educator in the future.

Foundation training is about gaining generic skills which can be applied across all specialties and throughout an entire career.





## Main duties of the placement

Day to day management of patients under consultant care.

On call duties as required under the hospital at night system. F1 duties are mainly centred on the wards, but also cover acute assessment unit and medical day care, under supervision. F1s can attend out-patients clinics, but would not be expected to see patients independently.

Attendance at cardiac arrests (although F1s do not carry the crash bleep; ward rounds held by consultant and registrar. F1s can see inpatients independently following discussion with a senior.

F1s are responsible for the clerking of patients on admission and the initial arrangements for the routine management of these patients including:

- history taking, examination and differential diagnosis.
- management of acute and chronically ill patients with appropriate diagnostic testing and reviewing the results
- assessment of all patients arriving for elective admission in medical specialties

Communicate effectively with other hospital staff, patients and relatives after training disclosure of bad news.

Arrange initial simple investigations and following discussion with senior staff organise more complex investigations.

F1s are responsible for the majority of prescribing albeit under supervision.

## Discharge planning

- F1s are responsible for ensuring that patients are discharged with the appropriate drugs and seeing that the patients understand the use of these.
- F1s are required to complete a brief discharge note for the patients' general practitioner at the time of the patients' discharge from hospital.

Attendance at mandatory trust and deanery training sessions (including induction). The number of mandatory training days is 5 days.

Maintaining portfolio of evidence of training in line with the foundation training programme.

The cover of colleagues on annual leave and short-term sickness.

Any other duties commensurate with the grade which may be allocated from time to time.

Foundation Doctors should be advised that they will also be required to perform duties in occasional emergencies and unforeseen circumstances at the request of the appropriate consultants in consultation, where practicable, with senior and junior colleagues.

Additional commitments arising from such circumstances are exceptional and work of this kind should not be required for prolonged periods or on a regular basis





Typical working pattern in this placement	The rotations are 3 x 4 month rotations between various specialties.
Employer	Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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

