

Foundation Training Job Description

Grade	F2
Placement	Palliative Medicine
Department	<p>St Luke's Hospice The base will be at St Luke's Hospice, an 18-bed unit situated in southwest Sheffield. It has been open since 1970, and was the first provincial hospice in the UK and provides specialist palliative care</p> <p>Macmillan Unit for Palliative Care (NGH) The base will be at the Macmillan Unit for Palliative Care, Northern General Hospital. This is a purpose-built unit in the NGH grounds offering specialist palliative care, with 18 inpatient beds.</p>
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<p>The aim of the posts is to offer introductory training in Palliative Medicine through experience of managing patients with advanced, life-threatening illness. As such, management will include mainly patients with cancer but also some with non-cancer advanced illnesses, e.g. Cardio-Respiratory, Cardiac, renal or Neurological end stage diseases. Experience opportunities in this post include improving skills in symptom control, communication with patients and families, holistic care, team working and discharge planning.</p> <p>Supervision will be provided at all times by Specialty Registrars and Consultants. There will be regular ward rounds, teaching rounds as well as tutorials. Involvement in teaching of medical and nursing students as well as that of the unit team is expected.</p>

<p>Main duties of the placement</p>	<p>St Luke's Hospice Duties include working with the team to admit, manage and discharge appropriate patients in the unit. Daily review of inpatients, routine ward work and ward rounds will form the mainstay of the work. Multidisciplinary team meetings and mini hand over meetings will be attended regularly.</p> <p>Macmillan Unit for Palliative Care (NGH) Duties include working with the unit team to admit, manage and discharge appropriate patients in the unit. Daily review of inpatients, routine ward work and ward rounds will form the mainstay of the work. Multidisciplinary team meetings (weekly) and admission planning meetings (daily) will be attended regularly, and patients may occasionally need to be reviewed on other hospital wards or seen in the community. Occasional attendance at OP Clinics can be arranged.</p>
<p>Typical working pattern in this placement</p>	<p>The on-call commitment of this post is 1 in 3 weekends, non-resident on-call with no cover during the week out of hours, and the pay scale recognises this. . Bank holidays are covered as a weekend day with time off in lieu. Weekend cover involves daily ward rounds and assessing any admissions arranged, being available 9am-5pm. The responsible Specialty Registrar in Palliative Medicine will arrange a roster.</p>
<p>Employer</p>	<p>Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust</p>

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