

West Midlands North Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Russells Hall Hospital

Placement	FY1 - Respiratory Medicine
The department	The department is based at Russells Hall Hospital, but also has outpatient clinics at the Corbett and Guest Hospital Outpatient Centres.
	It has a multi-disciplinary team, including consultants, specialist nurses, physiotherapists, respiratory physiologists (carry out lung function test) and secretarial support.
	One of the principle aims of this department is to work with colleagues in the community (general practitioners and nurses) to treat as many patients as possible in their own homes.
	Specialist clinics include: lung cancer; tuberculosis; snoring and sleep problems; sarcoidosis and pulmonary fibrosis.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	 Informal bedside teaching from senior doctors. Opportunity to teach medical students, Attendance at weekly junior respiratory meetings. Weekly x-ray/MDT/Journal Club.
	There is a weekly, 3 hour protected teaching programme.
	There is excellent exposure to common respiratory conditions and their treatments: including Asthma, COPD, Pneumonias (CAP & HAP), empyema, pleural effusions, pulmonary abscesses, pulmonary embolization, apnoea/hypopnea syndromes, bronchiectasis, lung fibrosis, lung cancer, cancer metastatic to the lungs and the complex elderly patient with a respiratory component.
Where the placement is based	The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust
Supervisor(s) for the placement	Dr M Healy
Main duties of the placement	Regular senior led ward rounds. Ward management of elective patients. Experience with clinical procedures.
Typical working pattern in this placement	Full shift with on call commitment, together with an individual Work Schedule being issued.
Employer information	Based in the heart of the Black Country, The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust is the main provider of hospital and adult community services to the populations of Dudley, significant parts of the Sandwell borough and smaller,



but growing, communities in South Staffordshire and Wyre Forest.

The first hospital trust in the area to be awarded coveted Foundation Trust status in 2008, we provide a wide range of medical, surgical and rehabilitation services.

Currently the Trust serves a population of around 450,000 people from three hospital sites at Russells Hall Hospital, Guest Outpatient Centre in Dudley and Corbett Outpatient Centre in Stourbridge. The Trust provides the full range of secondary care services and some specialist services for the wider populations of the Black Country and West Midlands region. The Trust also provides specialist adult community based care in patients' homes and in more than 40 centres in the Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council community.

Our hospitals are among some of the most technologically advanced in the country, where state-of-the-art equipment and modern, purpose-built buildings combine to create the highest standards of patient care.

In a year we...

- deliver 4,700 babies
- see around 500,000 outpatients
- treat almost 100,000 patients in our emergency department
- maintain our 13,000 Public Members

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