## Individual Placement (Job) Description

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<td><strong>The department</strong></td>
<td>Based from E level wards, the department consists of 5 consultants, 3 SpR, 3 SHO and a rota of 5 FY1. Inpatients have a variety of diseases ranging from benign and simple to complex cancer patients, alongside emergency and elective cases.</td>
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| **The type of work to expect and learning opportunities** | FY1 are primarily based on the wards. We also have a role in surgical pre-clerking and thus maintaining patient safety prior to theatre. Our final role is we have a 5 week block on Surgical Assessment Unit where we are the initial doctor to review and start management. The overall educational objectives of the F1 year are to provide the trainee with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be able to:  
  - Take a history and examine a patient  
  - Identify and synthesise problems  
  - Prescribe safely  
  - Keep an accurate and relevant medical record  
  - Manage time and clinical priorities effectively  
  - Communicate effectively with patients, relatives and colleagues  
  - Use evidence, guidelines and audit to benefit patient care  
  - Act in a professional manner at all times  
  - Cope with ethical and legal issues which occur during the management of patients with general medical problems  
  - Educate patients effectively  
  - Become life-long learners and teachers. |
| **Where the placement is based**                | Mainly ward based at Queen Alexandra, Portsmouth. |
| **Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement**   | Allocated at start of placement |
| **Main duties of the placement**               | Main duties on the wards are to support senior staff in management of the patient, and have responsibility of care for all ward patients involving day to day jobs and being first to see deteriorating patients. There is also an opportunity to become involved in the FY1 teaching. |
| **Typical working pattern in this placement**  | Daily: ward rounds and pre-clerking to share between FY1.  
  - Mon: 0800 - 1700  
  - Tues: Present next week theatre lists. Morbidity and mortality |
You are required to work 1 weekend in 5.
You are required to work a late shift to cover 1700-2000 every 1 in 5 weeks.
No nights.
Potentially temporarily moved to cover other specialty within surgery occasionally.
SAU working hours differ to above, majority being 12hour shifts starting at differing point in day, includes nights.

**Employer information**

The Queen Alexandra Hospital site has gone through a major redevelopment to create a modern and 'fit for purpose' hospital, which was completed in 2009. The majority of the Trust's acute services are now provided at Queen Alexandra following the opening phase of the new state-of-the-art facilities. We provide a full range of acute secondary services to a population of over half a million people. Additional specialist services are provided to a wider catchment area extending as far as Dorset and Sussex.

The 'Emergency Department' at Queen Alexandra Hospital is one of the busiest in the UK treating in excess of 100,000 patients each year.

The 'Medical Assessment Unit' (MAU) and 'Surgical Assessment Unit' (SAU) provide rapid diagnostic assessment for patients admitted as emergencies. These can then be directed to the clinical areas most appropriate for their condition.

The Trust is also home to the Wessex Renal and Transplant Unit and it holds prestigious Cancer Beacon Status for the Head and Neck Cancer Services.

Hosting the largest Ministry of Defence Hospital Unit (MDHU) in the country, the Trust enjoys strong military connections and is proud of this association. This means that as a Trust, we have wider responsibilities than those of standard NHS organisations. Military staff now account for 3% of the total workforce and the Trust has responsibility to ensure the staff have exposure to the appropriate clinical experience required during their times of deployment throughout the world.

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