Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust  
Individual Placement (Job) Description

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<th>Placement</th>
<th>F2 - General Surgery (Upper GI)</th>
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<td>The department</td>
<td>General Surgery</td>
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<td>The type of work to expect and learning opportunities</td>
<td>Involved in the care of surgical patients, both by assisting in their operations and by providing peri-operative ward based care. Managing surgical complications as they arrive, with input from your seniors. Participating in the general surgical on-call, seeing patients admitted from GPs and A&amp;E, assessing them, formulating an initial management plan, organizing and following up on investigations and assisting in operations as required. Learn about peri-operative care of elective and emergency surgical patients, including surgical complications. Gain experience in elective and emergency operations and have the opportunity to develop surgical skills such as suturing.</td>
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<td>Where the placement is based</td>
<td>Upper GI, QAH</td>
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<td>Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement</td>
<td>To be notified at start of placement</td>
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| Main duties of the placement | As FY2 UGI Surgery, you will be acting as SHO in UGI Surgery, as well as participating in the general surgical on-call rota. Duties in UGI Surgery include  
- Ward rounds  
- Assisting in theatre  
- Supervising FY1s in ward work  
- Monthly morbidity and mortality audit meeting  
Duties as General Surgical SHO on call include:  
- taking referrals from A&E and GPs for general surgical patients  
- clerking in of patients and review of patients clerked by FY1s and nurse practitioners  
- assisting in emergency theatre  
- covering general surgery, urology, breast, plastics and ENT (ENT 12am-8am only) out of hours as part of on call rota. |
| Typical working pattern in this placement | Typical working pattern in this post e.g. ward rounds, clinics, theatre sessions  
Daily: ward rounds (usually led by consultant or registrar), assisting in theatre, supervising FY1s in ward work  
Monthly: Morbidity and mortality audit meeting  

On call requirements: 5 weeks every 13 weeks as part of general surgical on-call rota, including 7 nights. 3 weekends every 13 weeks. |
| 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. |