### Placement

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<td>The department</td>
<td>The department currently has 13 consultants, one associate specialist, 2 consultant nurses, 11 middle grades, 4 CT3 and 4 CT1 ACCS trainees, 7 CT1 GP trainees and 7 F2s. We also Nurse Practitioners and approx 100 nurses. We see approx. 100,000 patients a year which includes 20,000 children. We will be the regional Trauma Centre from April 2012 serving a population of 3 million people.</td>
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| The type of work to expect and learning opportunities | You will learn to manage acute presenting patients who have nor yet been seen by a medical professional. You will develop your clinical diagnostic skills and how to effectively use relevant investigations. You will see some patients alone and later discuss them with a more senior doctor. You will see other patients in conjunction with a senior doctor. As a result, you will:  
- Improve a focused history taking and examination  
- Learn to effectively use investigations.  
- Establish a working diagnosis / differential  
- Plan for discharge.  
- Refer to other specialties around the organization.  
- Assist with and perform practical interventions as they are required.  
- Work with a large team of other doctors and nurses to provide quality patient care.  
- Learn to use guidelines and clinical pathways effectively.  
- Perform an audit during your placement.  
- Partake in the weekly 2 hour teaching program.  
- Have access to periodic 2 hour study leave slots incorporated into your rota to allow completion of educational tasks.  
- Have regular input from your allocated clinical / educational supervisor with regular feedback. |
| Where the placement is based | University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust  
Emergency Department |
| Clinical Supervisor(s) for the placement | You will be allocated in individual supervisor from the specialist group on arrival. |
| Main duties of the placement | The main duties include assessing treating patients, completing an audit, presenting at / attending the teaching program, working in the Clinical Decision Unit where patients stay for a maximum of 24 hours and seeing review patients |
when occasionally required.

| **Typical working pattern in this placement** | This post operates a rolling rota. Typical shifts include 8-18, 12-22, 18-03 and 22-08. You will work an average of 1:2 weekends due the necessity to provide staff numbers consistent over 7 days in an acute specialty. You can request annual leave prior to starting the post. There is currently direct consultant supervision from 8am to midnight 7 days a week with a 24 hour middle grade rota.

Due to its work pattern, it is a Band 1A post. |
| **Employer information** | University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust is a large teaching hospital with over 900 beds. The University of Southampton Medical School is on site. As district hospital, it serves a population of 350,000 people. With its tertiary services in neurosurgery, neurology, cardiology, cardiothoracic surgery, vascular surgery, hepatobiliary surgery, ophthalmology etc it serves a much wider population. |

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