Foundation Job Description

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Grade (F1 or F2)	If General (Inter General Surgery	cialty mal) Medicine OR r, please provide a pecialty	Sub-specialty (if appropriate) If General (Internal) Medicine OR General Surgery, please provide a sub-specialty					
F1	Clinical Haematology		Haematology					
Trust		Site						
Northampton General Hospital		Talbot Butler Ward, NGH						

Main Duties

This post is a great opportunity to explore a specialist subject within your FY1 year.

This post is based on Talbot Butler ward which is a combined Haematology/Oncology ward. It is a 24 bedded ward with a high proportion of single rooms. Attached is an Acute Emergency Assessment Bay (EAB) for acutely unwell 'on treatment' patients for haematology and oncology. You will work in a team with 1 other FY1, 1 FY2 and 1 IMT2 trainee plus a very experienced Physician Associate. Specialist registrars are present on a daily basis for support. The team of consultants are located adjacent to the ward, with senior consultant or SpR ward rounds taking place daily - ensuring that sick patients receive close senior input and you and your colleagues are well supported.

The working day generally begins with an MDT supported by the nurses, physiotherapists and OTs to update and take an overview on all patients including new admissions. There is a weekly Ward MDT on Wednesday with all the extended team of healthcare professionals present. Following the consultant ward round you will help complete any outstanding jobs with the support of your Consultant or SpR. This role will include spending time on the Assessment Unit and the Haematology Day Unit, which will increase exposure to haematological conditions and patients. The assessment of the patient's fitness for chemotherapy and prescribing chemotherapy is restricted to ST3+ for safety reasons.

This post will allow the trainee to complete the majority of the Foundation Core procedures (DOPS) and the required work place based assessments can also be achieved. More challenging practical procedures might be attempted with supervision. The post demands good multidisciplinary team working which will easily be developed during the attachment.

This is a relatively new post since August 2021 and has been such a success that from August 2022 there will be two Haematology FY1. This will allow protection of self-development time for portfolio and quality improvement projects, as well as reducing intensity of daily clinical work.

There will be an opportunity to teach or supervise medical students undertaking the 'cancer care' block from Leicester Medical school during the rotations.

This existing FY1 post in haematology does not include out of hours commitments at present but both posts are likely to do so from August 2022 on a rota similar to the existing Medicine FY1 rota. This is a 1 in 11 rota as below.

Example Timetable

Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
1					off	Ward cover	Wards
2	off						
3							
4				off			
5	off	off					
6							
7					off	On take	On take
8			off				
9							
10					off		
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Duty	Name	Pattern	Start	Finish	Duration	1	

21:00

Cancer MDT

Example Timetable									
	For example: \	r example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc.							
		Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri			
	AM	MDT, CWR, Ward work	MDT, CWR, Ward work	Ward MDT, CWR, Ward work	MDT, CWR, Ward work	MDT, CWR, Ward work			
	Lunchtime								
	PM	Ward work	Ward work Haematology	Ward work Self development	FY1 Teaching Ward work	Ward work			

time (flexible) For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc.

Educational Activities:

All FY1 will have a trained and experienced Educational Supervisor that stays with them for the whole of their FY1 year and a Clinical Supervisor for each of their 4/12 attachments. In Haematology the Clinical Supervisor will be a Haematology Consultant ensuring the most benefit from educational and career development opportunities.

The daily MDT and consultant ward rounds provide opportunity for in-depth discussion.

The mandatory F1 teaching occurs weekly on Thursday afternoons and is protected time off the ward and bleep free. The FY1 teaching programme covers a wide range of the curriculum over the three rotations. In addition there is a fortnightly oncology focussed journal club.

All junior doctors will have the opportunity to complete supervised Quality Improvement projects of their own choosing. They will be supported in this by their Educational and Clinical Supervisors and the well equipped QiP department.

The medical education department compromises of medical education, simulation resuscitation and quality improvement academia. All junior doctors with a passion for education and/or quality improvement can work with the medical education team as faculty and support the delivery of education programmes for medical students and quality and safety programmes. All our faculty can attend an in house Train the Trainer course free of charge and are also offered a peer to peer review on their teaching sessions from one of the expert medical education senior management team.

Our STEP - Student Tutoring & Education Programme - is available for all medical students on placement at NGH. STEP is a programme aimed at providing additional formalised learning opportunities for medical students in order to enhance the educational experience already gained during their placements.

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As part of STEP, teaching sessions are held once weekly in small groups (2-3 students).

We encourage all FY doctors to become tutors on STEP and lead sessions.

Other Comments (if appropriate):

Our group is made up of Northampton General Hospital (NGH) NHS Trust and Kettering General Hospital (KGH) NHS Foundation Trust and was formed in 2020.

We deliver acute services from two main sites: Northampton General Hospital and Kettering General Hospital. We also provide care at several satellite locations including in Corby, Wellingborough, Irthlingborough, Danetre and GP facilities.

Both our hospitals are acute hospitals providing 24-hour emergency care. We offer a full range of district general hospital care as well as some specialist services: NGH provides specialist cancer, vascular and stroke care for the county and KGH provides emergency cardiac care for the county. In total we have around 1,390 beds with 600 at KGH and 790 at NGH.

We serve a population of approximately 900,000 people across the county and employ over 9,000 staff, making us

one of the largest employers in Northamptonshire.

All our divisions are committed to doing things better with more efficiency as we update, modernise and advance. We have strong partnerships with University of Leicester and University of Northampton and are supported by the East Midlands Clinical Research Network.

Our excellence values are, respect, compassion, integrity, courage and accountability.

Disclaimer: Please note that the placement information provided is subject to change.