

Foundation Job Description

Foundation School					
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Grade (F1 or F2)	Specialty <i>If General (Internal) Medicine OR General Surgery, please provide a sub-specialty</i>			Sub-specialty (if appropriate) <i>If General (Internal) Medicine OR General Surgery, please provide a sub-specialty</i>	
F2	General Psychiatry			Old Age Liaison	
Trust			Site		
Northampton General Hospital NHS Trust			Berrywood Hospital		
Main Duties					
<p>You will work as part of a multidisciplinary team and will gain invaluable insight into the overlap between mental illness and physical illness within a general hospital setting. You will be working alongside colleagues on the acute Trust wards and the emergency department and you will develop skills to provide a psychiatric opinion. There is support from nursing colleagues, an occupational therapist, social worker, psychologist and a consultant psychiatrist. You will also be working closely with the dementia liaison nurse at NGH and with the Dementia and Delirium Home Team. The duties of the post include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of patients referred to liaison psychiatry from the general hospital, which will allow skills in biopsychosocial assessments and mental state examination. • Follow up and supporting patients with common psychiatric conditions in the general hospital setting. • Undertaking cognitive assessments and assessing patients for a potential diagnosis of dementia. • Gaining collateral information from families. • Working with families to support patients requiring inpatient admission to the acute Trust. • Management of urgent psychiatric conditions. • Management of psychiatric risk, particularly risks of self-harm or suicide. • Support the acute Trust staff with knowledge of legal frameworks, MCA and MHA. • Work closely with colleagues in the acute Trust to support patients with mental health needs. • Apply the principles of Good Medical Practice to your day to day work. <p>You will be part of the psychiatric on call rota at Berrywood Hospital where you will have the support of a middle grade and a consultant on call.</p>					
Example Timetable					
For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc.					
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
AM	Handover, clinical assessments	FY2 teaching	Handover, clinical assessments, reviews	Handover, clinical assessments	Handover, clinical assessments
Lunchtime		Balint group			Grand Round
PM	Posgraduate teaching programme	MDT with dementia & delirium team	Quality improvement/audit work	Shadow MDT, home visits/groups	Admin, reflections on practice
Educational Activities:					
<p>You will receive weekly supervision with the consultant psychiatrist. You will be able to attend the NGH grand round. Attendance at the foundation year training programme will be ensured and study leave will be facilitated. There is an additional weekly teaching sessions where the trainee would have the opportunity to present a journal article and a case in addition to hearing other trainees present on a weekly basis. 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.</p> <p>The medical education department comprises of medical education, simulation resuscitation and quality improvement academia. All junior doctors with a passion for education and/or quality</p>					

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. 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.