

Foundation Placement Description

Foundation School (Delete as appropriate)		Programme No. (eg. L006 OR T102)*:			
Trent		TL003 TL006 TL018 TL015 TL020 TL025 TL028			
Year (Delete as appropriate)	Specialty:		Subspecialty (If appropriate):		
F2	Emergency Medicine				
Site:		Trust:			
Pilgrim Hospital		United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust			
Main duties:					
<p>The junior doctors are expected to do the formal assessment of their patients (history, clinical examination, requesting relevant investigations, initiating appropriate treatment and safe disposal from the department) under senior supervision. Consultants are present in the department from 8 am till midnight every day of the week, including week-ends and bank holidays. There are three middle-grade doctors on the shop-floor most of the time, including nights.</p> <p>FY-1: Every patient seen by the FY-1 doctors is physically reviewed by a senior doctor. It is the responsibility of the junior doctor to ensure this is done. If the consultant / Middle-grade doctor is fully confident about the junior doctor's assessment and management plan, then they may just write 'Plan agreed' and sign and date in the 'Senior Review' box of the ED Card.</p> <p>FY-2 and GPVTS Trainees: All cases (irrespective of admitted or discharged home) should be discussed with the senior doctor and the discussion along with the name of the senior doctor should be mentioned in the ED notes.</p> <p>All the junior doctors are encouraged to decide the differential diagnosis and plan of management based on their history, examination and available investigations BEFORE discussion with the senior. 'Safe and quick decision-making' is one of the main skills for the junior doctors to acquire during this 4-month posting, provided it is done under senior supervision.</p> <p>All doctors participate in the 'Huddle' that takes place at 8 am when the morning consultant takes charge of the department. This is a Business Round where each doctor presents his/her patient/s in a systematic way and tells the management plan for the new consultant to be aware of. This also provides an important learning opportunity for the junior doctors.</p> <p>Teaching and Training: Majority of the teaching in the Emergency Department happens on the shop-floor. In addition, the department has a formal teaching program and attendance for that is mandatory, as it is built in their rota. Following the COVID-19 pandemic, the department has adopted a 'hybrid' mode of delivery of teaching sessions. The preferable way is to attend face-to-face and a room is booked in the Education Centre for this purpose. However, junior doctors can attend them from outside the hospital on Teams, if they are not working. The weekly teaching happens on every Wednesday from 11 am till 1 pm. At least two topics are covered on majority of these days, out of which one is presented by a Middle Grade doctor and other by a junior doctor. The session is facilitated by the consultant on the admin shift. The junior doctors are also released from the shop-floor to attend their respective generic teaching sessions. Junior doctors are also encouraged and supported by consultants to participate in an audit / QIP whilst in the department. They also participate at least once in four months in the departmental monthly Morbidity and Mortality meetings.</p> <p>United Lincolnshire Hospitals NHS Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults, both as service users and visitors to Trust premises. All staff have a responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults. The junior doctors, in conjunction with their clinical supervisors, will be responsible for ensuring they undertake the appropriate level of training relevant to their individual role and responsibilities and that they are aware of and work within the safeguarding policies of the Trust.</p>					
Example Timetable					
For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc					
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
AM	Working in A + E	Working In A + E	Working in A + E	A + E Teaching / Working in A + E	Working in A + E
Lunchtime				Mandatory FY2 Teaching 12-2:00pm	
PM	Working in A + E	Working In A + E	Working in A + E	Working in A + E	Working in A + E
Educational Activities:					
Site:					
Other Comments (if appropriate):					

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Department Info: Emergency Department (ED) at Pilgrim Hospital forms an integral part of the Urgent Care Service which also includes the Intergrated Assessment Centre (IAC) and the Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC). There is a Pan Trust Clinical Lead for ED with a deputy on both Pilgrim and Lincoln sites. There is a Clinical Lead for acute medicine which covers both IAC, AMSS and SDEC. The Clinical Leads report to the Pan Trust Divisional Director for Urgent and Emergency Care. The ED at Pilgrim is a busy medium sized department. We see nearly 60000 new patients every year. A significant proportion of these are frail and elderly (over 80 years of age) with a multitude of co-morbidities which can be challenging. We also have a significant number of major trauma patients coming to us because of our rural location and more than 1 hour distance by road from the nearest Major Trauma Centre at QMC, Nottingham. The ED has a four-bed 'Resus' bay well equipped with state-of-the-art resuscitation equipment, including 'Oxylog-3000' ventilators and overhead monitoring units for each bed. One of the resus bays also has paediatric resuscitation equipment. In addition to the four resus bays there are a total of 18 'Major' cubicles, including one Plaster Room, one Clean Procedures (Suture) room and two 'Clean Resus' bays. We also have 3 small 'Minor' cubicles. These minor cubicles and the Waiting Room area are used for 'Fit to Sit' patients. There is a dedicated nursing station to monitor patients in the waiting room. There is also a dedicated Paediatric Emergency area with its independent access. The department is currently undergoing a major re-build, because of which the Paediatric area is temporarily housed in a large Porta-cabin, which has two assessment bays, waiting area and a Nursing Station. The department has a co-located Urgent Treatment Centre manned by GPs and Advanced Nurse Practitioners that is open 24/7. Majority of the minor illnesses and some minor injuries are seen and managed by them. The department is an accredited Level 2 Trauma Unit.