

YORK HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

DEPARTMENT OF ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY FOUNDATION YEAR 2

BASE: YORK HOSPITAL

1. York Hospital

York Hospital opened in September 1976. It is a general hospital, providing a wide range of services. It serves a population of more than 270,000 people, providing acute and elective care. The only specialties not provided are Neurosurgery, Cardiothoracic Surgery and Plastic Surgery. There is a Day Treatment Unit separate from the main operating theatres as well as an Intensive Care Unit. The main theatre suite has 10 operating theatres. There is a very well equipped X-Ray Department, including CT scanning and MRI. Maternity and Neonatal Services are provided on site.

2. Hospital Service

The Trust provides a full range of services. These include an Accident and Emergency Unit, led by four Consultants, a recently refurbished Obstetric Unit, a Special Care Baby Unit, a full sub-specialist medical service, a Department of Elderly Medicine, a recently built Neurosciences Department, General Surgery, Urology, Gynaecology, Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthopaedics and Trauma, ENT, Ophthalmology, Chronic and Acute Pain Management Services, Paediatrics, Mental Health, Learning Disability and Dermatology. The Coronary Care Unit was extensively refurbished in 1998 and a Renal Dialysis Unit for the management of Chronic Renal Failure opened in January 1999.

Radiotherapy and plastic surgery are provided from Leeds. Cardiothoracic surgery is provided from both Leeds and Hull and head injuries are treated in Leeds.

3. Staffing

4 Consultants

4.5 FTE Staff Grades

3 Specialist Registrars

3 Senior House Officers (these posts form part of the Vocational Training Scheme for General Practice)

3 F2 posts

Clinical Assistants

4. Duties

The postholder is responsible for the initial treatment of all casual and emergency attendees at the Unit when on duty.

5. Study and Training

There is an induction programme

There are weekly afternoon seminars in the A & E Department and also a weekly X-Ray meeting in conjunction with a Consultant Radiologist.

SHOs and FY2s are involved in audit projects.

A procedure logbook is kept and FY2s receive training in appropriate techniques.

The staff of the department give technical instruction to junior nursing staff.

A Postgraduate Medical Centre is based at the hospital and meetings are held regularly, both of a general and specialist nature, throughout the week. The Centre is fully equipped with lecture theatre, seminar rooms and most audio-visual aids. There is also a medical library staffed with full time librarians with facilities for reading and borrowing books and journals.

6. Conditions of Service

The post is whole time and designated voluntary resident.

Single residential accommodation is available if required. Partnered accommodation is subject to availability.

The salary scale and conditions of service are those for Hospital Medical and Dental Staff.

A full shift system is in operation and annual leave is incorporated into the rota.

7. Tenure of Post

The appointment is for 4 months.

8. General

York has traditionally been the chocolate city, the historic city and the railway capital. However more recently the City has seen major retail developments at both Clifton Moor and Monk's Cross, the arrival of MAFF and it's Sand Hutton laboratories plus the research and development facilities of Smith & Nephew. By far the largest industry is

tourism with over 3 million visitors each year visiting York (the largest tourist influx to any town in England outside London).

York Hospital is within walking distance of the city centre, which is just over a mile away. York is an attractive medieval city with lots of cultural activities, wonderful museums and an active nightlife too. There are good train and road connections to Leeds with easy access to Leeds/Bradford airport and other parts of the county and the country. York is on the main railway line to London.

York Hospitals NHS Trust provides healthcare to a population spread over approximately 400 square miles. The area extends to Easingwold in the North and Selby to the South.

York Hospitals NHS Trust works hard to achieve compliance to New Deal Targets. We therefore have a contractual obligation to monitor junior doctors' New Deal compliance and the application of the banding system. For this purpose the Trust has adapted the method of the Yorkshire Monitoring Cards. You will be contractually obliged to co-operate with the monitoring arrangements and will be required to complete the diary cards during your period of employment with the Trust. Failure to monitor may lead to disciplinary action.