



JOB DESCRIPTION

POST

Foundation Year 1 in Ophthalmology

LOCATION

Scunthorpe General Hospital

DURATION OF POST

4 months (as part of a 1 year rotational post)

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION

Ophthalmic Department at Northern Lincolnshire & Goole Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust is based at two sites- Scunthorpe General Hospital and Diana Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby. It has 6 consultants. On the Scunthorpe site we have 3 Consultants. This post is recognised by the Royal College of Ophthalmologists for training purposes. However one to one teaching and training is given in clinics and theatres. Postholders will be encouraged to develop basic and advanced surgical skills, commensurate with experience.

The Ophthalmic Department at Scunthorpe General Hospital is a fully equipped unit, consisting of Argon, Diode and Yag Lasers, Humphrey's and Octopus Field Analysers, and digital Fluorescein Angiography system. The theatre is fully equipped for Ophthalmic Micro-surgery. We have an established Oculoplastic and Lacrimal Service and Medical Retinal and Surgical Vitreo-retinal service.

DUTIES OF THE POST

The duties of the post include examining and writing up out-patient and in-patient emergency cases with responsibility for special investigation and obtaining blood and other samples and transfusions. There is also, however, a morning phlebotomy service in operation. The duties also include assisting and performing minor and some other operations under supervision, with emergency duties. There is also active encouragement for producing clinical papers.

The postholder's primary responsibility is the day-to-day care of ward patients under the care of the Consultants in his/her team. The incumbent will receive instruction in procedures and help with management from senior colleagues. He/she will be expected to know the patients in detail and to present them on ward rounds.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

To build upon undergraduate education

To gain experience and familiarity in dealing with a wide variety of medical conditions

To develop the skills of history taking, physical examination, appropriate investigation and rational prescribing

To master several basic medical techniques

To improve communication skills with patients, relatives and colleagues

To develop skills in managing time and conflicting priorities