

HULL AND EAST YORKSHIRE HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

1. POST

Pre Registration House Officer (Foundation Year 1) in Medicine

2. LOCATION

Castle Hill Hospital, Cottingham and Hull Royal Infirmary, Anlaby Road, Hull

Castle Hill Hospital (CHH) and Hull Royal Infirmary (HRI) are the major acute hospitals in Hull and the surrounding East Yorkshire area. The two hospitals are situated approximately five miles apart, and following a Trust merger are undergoing service changes. Currently the main in-patient base for Respiratory Medicine is CHH, containing three chest wards, a specialist Respiratory High Dependency Unit (HDU) and the regional Cardiothoracic Surgical unit, whilst the main Chest Clinic is situated at HRI, this being the entry point for the majority of a large number of acute medical admissions. The only Accident and Emergency Department in the vicinity is located at HRI. There are established Critical Care facilities (Intensive care/High Dependency unit) and Acute Medical Admissions Units on both sites with the interface served by a team of specialised nurses (Critical Care Outreach.) Planned developments on the CHH site include a Regional Oncology Centre and Cardiology/Cardiothoracic Centre.

Subspecialty interests in Respiratory Medicine include lung cancer, pleural diseases, non-invasive ventilation for acute and chronic respiratory failure, sleep disordered breathing, asthma, cystic fibrosis, pulmonary vascular disease and cough.

At Castle Hill Hospital site the Medical department also includes a developing Regional Infectious Disease Unit, Rehabilitation Medicine and Department of Medicine for the Elderly.

All major medical and surgical specialties are represented within Hull and East Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust.

The Hospitals are on a bus route and HRI is within walking distance of the city centre with its mainline train station. A purpose built doctors' mess provides satellite television, video and megadrive, and social activities for those wishing to become members of the mess.

3. DURATION OF POST

4 months

4. STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT

The department includes two academic staff; the Professor of Medicine, Senior Lecturer in Respiratory Medicine and five NHS Consultant Physicians with a degree sub specialisation.

Academic Medicine

Professor AH Morice
Respiratory Senior Lecturer

Respiratory Medicine

Dr GG Anderson
Dr AG Arnold
Dr MA Greenstone
Dr DV McGivern
To be Appointed

In addition, the department includes a number of Nurse Specialists in Lung Cancer, Respiratory Care and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease.

5. GENERAL DUTIES

In general the Team is ward-based, looking after patients on a designated ward. The House Officer will be responsible for the care of patients under his/her Consultant(s). In addition, medical patients outlying the base ward may be placed under their responsibility. Flexibility between and within teams is expected in order to maintain quality of patient care.

6. MEDICAL ACUTE ADMISSIONS UNITS

Experience and training in Acute Medical Emergencies is gained by attachments to the two Acute Medical Admissions Units at CHH and HRI during this post.

The Acute Medical Admissions Unit HRI is adjacent to the Accident and Emergency Department. This allows greater integration of the General medicine teams with the Department of Medicine for the Elderly, at junior and senior level, to cope better with the pressures on emergency admissions. There are more than 30 Consultants contributing to the medical take, in addition to 2 Consultants in acute medicine (Dr V Anand and Dr D Bhatia). Twice daily Consultant ward rounds take place. There are also five Staff Grade Physicians. Clinical support workers, phlebotomy service and clerical support is available at HRI.

The Acute Medical Admission Unit CHH (Ward 18) is developing a selected speciality medical take focusing on Respiratory and Infectious Diseases. The take is supported by a Specialist Registrar and Consultant with twice daily ward rounds.

7. WORKING ARRANGEMENTS

The current arrangements are a 1 in 8 full shift rota (including prospective cover) covering the Acute Assessment Unit and the wards.

The Current pay banding is 1B with contracted hours below 56 hours per week maximum.

The average contracted hours must not be exceeded. However, in exceptional circumstances, practitioners in the grades of Senior Registrar, Specialist Registrar, Senior House Officer and House Officer shall be expected in the normal run of their duties, and within their contract and job description to cover for the occasional brief absence of colleagues as far as is practicable. Sick

colleagues will normally be covered only for short periods of absence.

In addition, practitioners will be prepared to perform duties in occasional emergencies and unforeseen circumstances without additional remuneration but may be granted time off in lieu at the discretion of the employing trust. Commitments arising in such circumstances are, however, exceptional and the practitioner should not be required to undertake work of this kind for prolonged periods or on a regular basis.

9. INDUCTION

An induction/orientation programme is arranged for new starters at the beginning of August during which they have no other duties and is mandatory.

10. ACCOMMODATION

Single accommodation is available. Accommodation is usually at your base hospital and may involve travel between hospitals.

11. ANNUAL LEAVE

9 days annual leave in a 4 months period, which should be taken within this period. Annual leave cannot be carried over into the next post. In order to maintain the service, annual leave is planned into the rota. Please note that annual leave cannot be allowed whilst scheduled to work nights. However annual leave may be swapped with colleagues if appropriate and after consultation with Consultants.

12. POST GRADUATE EDUCATION

The East Riding Medical Education Centre is located on the Hull Royal Infirmary site. The Centre contains a 200 seat auditorium equipped with full video and dual projection facilities and three large seminar rooms. There is an extensive medical library which contains over 5,000 volumes, 215 journals on weekly or monthly receipt, and audio-visual facilities. A CD-ROM system (Index Medicus) is operational and there is a direct link - via Datastar – to the world medical database. The centre incorporates the largest Postgraduate medical educational facility in the Yorkshire Region and supplies catering and support services, in addition to its central teaching and academic roles.

The associated department at Castle Hill Hospital includes a 70 seat lecture theatre with modern audio-visual equipment and a branch of the medical library, staffed and computer linked.

The Director of Post graduate Medical Education is Dr C Melville. The Associate Directors of Post graduate Medical Education for Foundation Years are Mr V Johnson and Dr N Steel. There is a full programme of lectures and tutorials, details of which are published in the monthly diary. The Medical Grand Round is held on Fridays 1300 hours. Each department holds educational meetings, and house officers are welcome to attend those in other departments as well as their

own, duties allowing. There is a programme of teaching for pre-registration house officers on Thursday lunchtimes when you are released from other duties and are expected to attend.

13. EDUCATIONAL SUPERVISOR

Each house officer has a nominated supervisor, with whom they should meet formally at the start of the post, after 2 months, and at the end of the post, using the F1 logbook as a basis for discussion.

14. 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.

15. MEDICAL SCHOOL

Postgraduate School of Medicine

This was inaugurated on 1 August 1994. This is a collaborative venture in which the University of Hull is supported by the local NHS Trusts and East Riding Health.

There are currently Chairs in Reproductive Medicine & Surgery (Professor S R Killick), Surgery (Professor J R T Monson), Head & Neck Surgery (Professor N D Stafford), Vascular Surgery (Professor P McCollum), Primary Care Medicine (Professor P Champion), Psychiatry (Professor A Mortimer), Medicine (Professor A Morice), Radiology (Professor L W Turnbull), Institute of Rehabilitation (Professor L G Walker), Academic Cardiology (Professor J Cleland) and Oncology (Professor M Lind)

Undergraduate Medical School

The Hull - York medical school (HYMS) took its first intake in 2003. The first clinical students will begin their attachments in August 2005.

16. HEALTH AND SAFETY

You are required to inform your line manager of any safety issues that could affect you or others, in the workplace. You are responsible for your own health and safety and must co-operate with management, at all times, in achieving safer work processes and work places, particularly where it can impact on others.

You will be trained in the correct use of any equipment provided to improve safety and health within the Trust. You are required to use the equipment when necessary and as instructed, it is your responsibility to ensure the equipment is safe to use, prior to its use and must report any defects immediately to your line manager.

17. GENERAL INFORMATION

Kingston upon Hull is one of the country's main ports and is an ancient borough, its first Royal Charter being granted 1299. Hull was substantially rebuilt after heaving bombing in World War II and is therefore a modern as well as an historic city. There is a yacht marina, an international ice rink and a range of other leisure and recreational facilities, including theatres, cinemas, concert halls and recently The Deep. There are two Universities and a College of Further Education. Shopping facilities including a large shopping complex occupying a unique waterfront position in the centre of the city.

There is easy access to pleasant countryside, coastal resorts, moors and dales. A regular passenger/car ferry operates from Hull to nearby continental ports and direct flights from Humberside airport cover a number of overseas destinations.

NB. All applicants are asked to check, before applying for a post, that they will be eligible for registration with the General Medical Council. You can check for eligibility on the website <http://www.gmc-uk.org> . If there is any uncertainty, contact the GMC and seek advice, preferably in writing. If you cannot register with the GMC you cannot be employed as a Pre Registration House Officer.