

SCARBOROUGH & NORTH EAST YORKSHIRE HEALTHCARE NHS TRUST

JOB DESCRIPTION

HOUSE OFFICER PAEDIATRICS

The Work of the Department

The Paediatric Department cares for patients up to 14 years old. All emergencies in this age group are admitted via the paediatricians and then referred on as appropriate. Elective day cases for investigations form part of the workload. The department provides medical cover for the delivery unit. There is a special care baby unit where babies delivered from 33 weeks gestation may be cared for. Facilities for ventilating babies prior to transfer to a neonatal centre are available, but babies less than 33 weeks gestation are normally transferred in utero.

The staffing within the department:-

There are seven Consultant Paediatricians whose interests cover all aspects of general paediatrics and community paediatrics:-

Dr A R Falconer
Dr V Venkatesh
Dr I M Rawashdeh
Dr M Qunibi
Dr T Lwin (Community)
Dr M Jones (Community)
Dr L Dutt (Community)

There is also an Associate Specialist Paediatrician and six Senior House Officers.

Teaching

There are regular teaching sessions as follows:-

Monday	2.00	Coronary Care Unit meeting
Tuesday	2.00 (monthly)	House Officer skills teaching
Wednesday	10.30 - 12.30	Paediatric Teaching (Mandatory)
Thursday	12.30	House Officer Teaching
Friday	12.00 12.30 1.30	Grand Round Medical X Ray meeting Nutritional support (optional)

There are also three Consultant ward rounds a week providing valuable teaching. Business and clinical audit meetings are held monthly.

Supervision

Each Pre-registration House Officer has a Consultant mentor who is responsible for both supervision and appraisal. An interview with the PRHO takes place at the beginning of the post to define training needs, an interview during the post and appraisal interviews towards the end of the post.

Duties

The duties of the post will be able to admit and assess acute admissions, attend outpatients (dependent on SHO rotas), and perform day case investigations, as well as maintaining on going care for inpatients on the children's ward. The PRHO will be fully supported by a Paediatric SHO, Paediatric Associate Specialist and Paediatric Consultant.

Timetable

Monday	am	Staff Grade Ward Round Dr Venkatesh, New Patient Clinic
Tuesday	am	Dr Qunibi Ward Round Dr Falconer New Patient Clinic
	pm	Ward work
Wednesday	am	Dr Falconer Ward Round Protected teaching, with Paediatric SHOs
	pm	Lunchtime General Medical Teaching Ward work Grand Round all hospital staff
Thursday	am	Staff Grade Ward Round Dr Stanton New patient Clinic or Diabetic Clinic
	pm	Lunchtime protected teaching Ward work
Friday	am	Dr Venkatesh Ward Round
	pm	Medical X-Ray teaching lunchtime Ward work and combined Practitioner Ward Round

There may also be the opportunity in attending clinics at peripheral hospitals with the Consultants.

“On call” duties within the paediatric department will be supported by residential cover from the paediatric SHO and Consultant Paediatricians. The Paediatric SHO will take primary responsibility for neonatal work and review general paediatric admissions carried out by the PRHO. The PRHO will be encouraged to become actively involved in all aspects of the acute work. The post is compliant with the New Deal and EWTD requirements Band 1A. The PRHO works a 1:5 rota with a protected half-day off after on-call.

Extra Duties

The junior doctor accepts that he/she will also perform duties in unforeseen circumstances on the instruction of the appropriate Consultant. It has been agreed between the professions and the department that while junior doctors accept that they will perform such duties, the Secretary of State stresses that these additional commitments are exceptional.

Main Conditions of Service

The post is compulsory resident.

Single accommodation is available, married is subject to availability.

The PRHO single accommodation is on-site with the married accommodation off site but not far away from the hospital

All on-site residences have recently been refurbished with new carpets, seating and decor in the living areas

Other Facilities

Scarborough is a very attractive seaside resort with excellent recreational facilities and beautiful countryside nearby. The hospital is a five minute drive from the town centre and there is a bus service between the town centre and the hospital.

There is an active hospital social life and the hospital Social Club houses a well equipped gym, squash courts and pool tables.

The Mess contains a full size snooker table and SKY TV

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