**Foundation Job Description**

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| **Foundation School** | | | | | | | | |
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| **Grade**  *(F1 or F2)* | | | **Specialty**  *If General (Internal) Medicine OR General Surgery, please provide a sub-specialty* | | | **Sub-specialty (if appropriate)**  *If General (Internal) Medicine OR General Surgery, please provide a sub-specialty* | | |
| F1 | | | Psychiatry | | | FOPAL: Frail Older People Advisory Liaison Service | | |
| **Trust** | | | | **Site** | | | | |
| Leicestershire Partnership Trust/ University Hospitals of Leicester | | | | Leicester Royal Infirmary | | | | |
| **Main Duties** | | | | | | | | |
| The post provides a wide spectrum of clinical presentations of patients suffering from physical as well as mental health disorders. This in turn provides an ideal opportunity to practice holistic care of patients using a bio-psycho-social model both in terms of assessment as well as management and treatment. The trainee will work alongside consultant geriatricians, consultant psychiatrists, specialist trainees in geriatric medicine and psychiatry and qualified nursing staff. The large variety in patient presentations offers training opportunities in assessments, arranging further investigations and providing management plans. The management would include further advice, medication, social interventions and psychological interventions.  The FOPAL service has close working relationships with the UHL wards as well as with the inpatient psychiatric services, the community psychiatric services and the social services. This provides good learning opportunities terms of multidisciplinary team working and communication skills. The trainee will have ample opportunities to practice history taking in patients presenting with physical as well as mental health problems including performing mental state examinations and physical examinations.  The service provides opportunities to get involved in audits such as the assessment form audit, referral form audit. There are also surveys such as a survey re how the service is perceived by referrers and by the patients. There are teaching opportunities with medical students as well as with nursing and other students. There are also research opportunities within the psychiatric department; Dr Velayudhan, or within the geriatric department with Dr Conroy.  On call Responsibilities will be in the form of general medical on call cover. | | | | | | | | |
| **Example Timetable** | | | | | | | | |
| **For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc.** | | | | | | | | |
|  | **Mon** | **Tues** | | | **Weds** | | **Thurs** | **Fri** |
| **AM** | 9.00- 10.00 MDT meeting then Patients assessments and management | 9.00- 10.00 MDT meeting then Patients assessments and management | | | 9.00- 10.00 MDT meeting then Patients assessments and management | | 9.00- 10.00 MDT meeting then Patients assessments and management | 9.00- 10.00 MDT meeting then Audit/research and special interest |
| **Lunchtime** |  | Journal club | | |  | |  | Open meeting |
| **PM** | Patients assessments and management | Patients assessments and management | | | Patients assessments and management | | One to one clinical supervision then Patients assessments and management | Special interest/ research |
| **Educational Activities:** | | | | | | | | |
| * All new F1/F2 Trainees should have a structured Trust-wide induction programme in addition to a specific departmental induction programme * All new F1/F2 Trainees should be issued with a Learning Agreement and access to the ePortfolio product as endorsed by the Deanery, containing tools for the objective measurement of competencies. A formal sign off process should take place at the end of each placement. * All F1/2 Trainees should be able to attend regular and bleep free educational programme and be able to engage in the school’s generic professional skills training programme. * All medical F1 trainees should be trained to certified ILS standard. * All F1 Trainees should have the opportunity to present cases with respect to decisions and investigations made on ward rounds. * The trainee will have the opportunity to attend educational meetings at the Leicestershire Partnership trust such as the journal club meetings and open meetings. * A Bleep policy should be in effect across the Trust and re-enforced at ward level. This must allow protection of rest and study time. * All F1/2 Trainees should be encouraged to attend an active programme of Postgraduate Medical Education e.g. weekly Physicians Postgraduate Meetings, Inter-departmental Histopathology/Radiology meetings etc. * The Trust has a well-stocked Medical Library (24-hour access) with opportunities for training/accessing Information Technology. * The Postgraduate Education Centre offers advice and support to all junior medical staff. | | | | | | | | |
| **Other Comments (if appropriate):** | | | | | | | | |
| You will attend mandatory FY teaching in line with ARCP requirements. You will be assessed against nationally recognised competencies at the end of your FY1 year. | | | | | | | | |
| **Disclaimer:** Please note that the placement information provided is subject to change. | | | | | | | | |