## **Foundation Job Description**

| Foundation School              |                 |                    |                                |  |  |  |
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| LNR                            |                 |                    |                                |  |  |  |
| Grade                          | Specialty       |                    | Sub-specialty (if appropriate) |  |  |  |
| FY2                            | General Surgery |                    | Breast Surgery                 |  |  |  |
| Trust                          |                 | Site               |                                |  |  |  |
| University Hospitals Leicester |                 | Glenfield Hospital |                                |  |  |  |

## **Main Duties**

The department of breast surgery at UHL is one of the largest single centre breast units in the UK, diagnosing and treating around 950 breast cancers and carrying out 1300 operations each year. We have a purpose built breast unit for clinics and diagnostics and a 10 bed ward at the Glenfield Hospital.

We have 3 Foundation year posts, typically with 2xFY1s and 1xFY2, who are a key element of a large team of resident doctors alongside CTs, STs, 1xST3 equivalent Trust grade & an Oncoplastic fellow. There are 9 Consultant-level surgeons including a Specialty Doctor and an Associate Professor. Our foundation team are largely based on ward 34, typically starting each morning admitting pre-op patients with the Consultants and Registrars; moving on to a Registrar-led ward round and then assessing planned and emergency ward attenders; assisting in theatre or attending clinics and MDTs.

The ward attenders are an excellent opportunity to gain experience in assessing patients independently; formulating management plans and presenting to a Registrar or Consultant for advice and guidance and learning from our dedicated nursing colleagues. There is scope to carry out minor procedures and there is always a Registrar or Consultant available on site. Our Trust Grade Registrar has been designated as a mentor for the Foundation team, responsible for developing and guiding.

The work is confined to office hours with no on-calls. The team is busy but friendly and supportive and there are opportunities for Foundation doctors with both surgical and non-surgical career interests given the variety of cases and the sensitive nature of the disease for which our patients are undergoing diagnosis and treatment. Being a big unit there is always scope to be involved with a wide range of teaching, audits, trials and service development projects. As a team, our stated aim is to provide the very best Foundation year experience anywhere.

## Example Timetable (varies widely depending on mix of team members present)

For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc.

|           | Mon                                     | Tues                                    | Weds                        | Thurs                                      | Fri                     |
|-----------|---|---|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| АМ        | Pre-ops/ward<br>round/ward<br>attenders | Pre-ops/ward<br>round/ward<br>attenders | Attend consultant clinic    | Compensatory<br>day off alternate<br>weeks | M&M<br>prep/audit/study |
| Lunchtime | MDT                                     | FY teaching                             |                             |  | Grand round             |
| PM        | Attend cancer results clinic            | Discharges & prepping cases             | Discharges & prepping cases |  | Finish hour early       |

## **Educational Activities:**

Our Foundation doctors are expected to join their mandatory weekly/fortnightly Foundation teaching sessions and should usually be able to join Grand Round on a Friday. After Trust induction there will be a departmental

| induction overseen by our Trust Grade doctor who also has a mentoring role and who is ward and theatre based so is always on hand. There are quarterly M&M and audit meetings along with an annual protocol meeting which our FY doctors will usually help to prepare and should attend. |
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| Other Comments (if appropriate):   |
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