

Foundation Job Description

Foundation School (Delete as appropriate)		Programme No. (eg. L006 OR T102)*:			
Trent		T059			
Year (Delete as appropriate)		Specialty:		Subspecialty (If appropriate):	
F2		General Surgery		Vascular Surgery	
Site:			Trust:		
ROYAL DERBY HOSPITAL			Royal Derby Hospital NHS Foundation Trust		
Main duties:					
<p>The post is based on Ward 308 at the Royal Derby Hospital, a regional vascular centre taking acute and chronic admissions from Derbyshire and Chesterfield. The department consists of 8 consultants, 7 specialty registrars and specialty doctors, a core surgical trainee, a GP trainee, an F2 and 4 F1s. There is also a multidisciplinary team of nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and the diabetic foot team who visit the ward to contribute to patient care. As part of the team the foundation trainee will be expected to care for both the ward inpatients and patients who are outliers on other hospital wards but still under either direct or joint care of the vascular team.</p> <p>F2 duties consist of joining the registrars for daily ward rounds, noting patient assessments and management plans, and co-ordinating the tasks to be carried out from the ward round. These will include placing cannulas, taking bloods, prescribing medications and fluids, discussing requested scans with radiologists, writing patient discharge letters, reviewing unwell patients and referring patients to other hospital specialties. The foundation trainee will be in charge of maintaining an up-to-date patient list in order to facilitate patient management and to update the consultants on their ward rounds. There will be opportunities to attend/assist in theatre on major and minor vascular/general surgical cases including vascular bypass procedures, elective AAA repairs, varicose vein surgery and hernia repair surgery. Trainees are also encouraged to attend outpatient clinics to learn more about the management of vascular patients in the community and to provide teaching for medical students. Trainees can expect to spend about a third of their rotas on-call, either on the Surgical Assessment Unit clerking acute surgical patients (days/nights) or providing ward cover over weekends and out of hours (days/nights).</p> <p>The foundation trainee will be able to satisfy requirements of the Foundation Curriculum and will be supported by the trainees and consultants working in the department. The placement offers direct supervision of clinical practice and workplace based assessments, alongside a clearly delineated role to permit the trainee to meet their Intended Learning Objectives for the foundation programme.</p>					
Example Timetable					
For example: W/R (Outpatients), MDT, Meetings, X-Ray Conference etc					
	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
AM	Ward round	Ward round	Ward round Theatre	Vascular MDT Ward work	Ward round
Lunchtime				F2 teaching	
PM	Out-patients	Theatre	Vascular teaching Out-Patients	Ward work Diabetic foot MDT	Ward work
Educational Activities:					
<p>Teaching ward rounds; educational discussions with radiologists about vascular scans; weekly MDT meeting with surgeons, radiologists and anaesthetist; weekly mandatory F2 teaching; weekly Vascular Departmental teaching (seminars, clinical skills and F2 case presentations and teaching); outpatient vascular clinics; renal clinic; weekly diabetic foot MDT.</p> <p>There will be the opportunity to engage with departmental audit and vascular-based projects if appropriate.</p>					
Other Comments (if appropriate):					
<p>General areas</p> <p>The foundation trainee will learn generic skills in history taking, abdominal and vascular examination, and obtaining a collateral history. They will also have plenty of opportunity to develop hand-held Doppler technique and perform ABPIs. They will be involved in organising appropriate investigations, and referring on to other specialists. They will learn how to manage difficult consultations and communication skills, as well as managing patients with multiple significant co-morbidities and learn the basics of the consent process.</p> <p>The trainee will be under the clinical supervision of a vascular consultant and can expect to meet their supervisor at the beginning, middle and end of their placement, with scope for further meetings if necessary.</p> <p>Disclaimer: Please note that the placement information is subject to change.</p>					