Foundation Job Description

Foundation School (Delete as appropriate)		Programme No. (eg. L006 OR T102)*:		
Trent		T102		
Year (Delete as appropriate)	Specialty:		Subspecialty (If appropriate):	
F1	General (Internal) Medic	cine	Palliative Medicine /Respiratory	
Site:		Trust:		
Queen's Medical Centre/Nottingham City Hospital		Nottingham University Hositals NHS Trust		

Main duties:

This post is mainly (80%) respiratory medicine based on the respiratory wards at City Campus with participation in the general medicine on call rota for F1s. You will be expected to:

- Know your patients
- · Be able to highlight to seniors where senior input into decision making is needed.
- Co-ordinate your patients' care by:
- arranging and chasing up results of investigations, as directed by seniors
- □ liaising with allied health professionals to coordinate patient care and discharge planning
- keep patients and carers informed about developments in the patient's condition and management
- conduct ward rounds of respiratory inpatients under your care, alongside your junior colleagues, on days where there is no consultant or registrar ward round.
- Ask when you are unsure
- · Assist the Nurse Specialists in the clerking and initial management of RAU patients, and present to the on call consultant
- Apply the principles of Good Medical Practice to your day-to-day work

In return for your hard work, you can expect daily senior (consultant or registrar) input to the ward and feedback and teaching on your day-to-day activities and RAU clerkings. You can anticipate an enjoyable and educational time in respiratory medicine.

In addition there is a component of palliative care experience (20%) which is gained by attending Hayward House Specialist Palliative Care Unit City Campus on a Wednesday where the F1 will be supervised by a consultant in palliative medicine and will gain experience in inpatient palliative care. The F1 will be fully supervised and supported during their time in palliative care.

Example Timetable

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AM			Palliative care (Hayward House)		
Lunchtime					
PM			Palliative care (Hayward House)		

Educational Activities:

Management of respiratory and general medical inpatients. SpR and consultant led ward rounds. Good staffing levels and high level of senior supervision make this an ideal first post. Respiratory department meetings, junior doctor specific respiratory teaching programme and X-ray meetings weekly.

There is a 1:8.5 general medical on call based at both City and QMC campuses. In addition, you will participate in an RAU rota which consists of two weeks on RAU on either a 09:00 - 17:00 or 10:30 - 18:30 shift, during which you will help the Nurse Specialists clerk and manage RAU patients under consultant supervision.

Your main duties will involve care of respiratory inpatients. You will encounter a broad range of respiratory and general medicine. As NUH is a teaching hospital, you are likely to see a proportion of more specialist cases that you may not see in a district general hospital.

There is a weekly teaching programme in respiratory-specific topics for junior doctors.

There are opportunities to attend specialist clinics, various subspecialty MDTs (eg lung cancer, interstitial lung disease, TB, CF) as well as diagnostic and interventional bronchoscopy and thoracoscopy lists.

During the palliative care attachment, the focus of teaching will include teaching on communication and managing common symptoms in cancer patients and end of life care.

Other Comments (if appropriate):

Respiratory medicine on the City campus is a large department with eleven NHS consultants (ten whole time equivalent) and eight academic consultants (each with 50% NHS commitments). The service supports a number of subspecialties, including asthma, COPD, bronchiectasis, cystic fibrosis, interstitial lung disease, lung cancer, tuberculosis and sleep medicine.

We have five respiratory wards, Southwell (28 beds, male), Fleming (31 beds, female), Berman 2 (12 beds, mixed), RAU (20 beds, mixed) and the CF unit (12 - 16 beds, mixed). The wards are staffed by 20 junior doctors (six CT trainees, two GPVTS trainees, three FY2s and nine FY1s), who work in three teams across the three main base wards. Juniors are also allocated time to RAU (all doctors) and CF unit (4 doctors in each rotation). Juniors and consultants are supported by four respiratory registrars.

The respiratory service, including RAU, is supported by a 24/7 respiratory consultant on call rota.