

## West Midlands Central Foundation School

Individual Placement Description – Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham

Placement	FY1 Oncology
The department	The Oncology Department has a major in-patient and day case commitment with beds on 3-4 wards in the QE hospital 6 <sup>th</sup> floor including Young Persons Unit and a day-case chemotherapy unit.
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	The post offers broad experience in the management of cancer and its complications as well as experience of curative and palliative chemotherapy and radiotherapy treatments.
	The post holder will work alongside a team of Consultants, across different Oncological specialities as well as work closely with allied specialities such as palliative care in a supportive and well supervised ward environment.
	There are opportunities to observe out-patient oncology.
	Support and education are also provided by on-site SpRs and highly experienced Clinical Nurse Specialists
	<ul> <li>Weekly Grand Round</li> <li>Opportunities to teach medical students</li> <li>Opportunity to learn about radiotherapy planning</li> <li>Opportunity to attend oncology clinics</li> <li>Simulated training sessions</li> <li>Career support</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Half-day fortnightly FY teaching organised by Trust/Deanery</li> <li>Bi monthly junior doctor FY2 forums</li> <li>3 days of self development time per rotation</li> </ul>
	In addition there is bi-monthly oncology-specialty junior-doctor forum with Oncology Junior Doctor Lead consultant, who will feed back to the Divisional Education Lead to pick up concerns early and address them so that training and learning environment is maintained.
Where the placement is based	Queen Elizabeth Hospital
Supervisor(s) for the placement	you will be assigned a named Clinical supervisor for the placement; if you are starting in this post in August rotation, he/she will also act as your Educational Supervisor for the year.
Main duties of the placement	You will be based on the Oncology wards within QEHB main building 6 <sup>th</sup> floor (Wards 622, 623, 624, 625).
	Inpatients comprise a mixture of acute and chronic oncological problems such as spinal cord compression, neutropenic sepsis, complications of cancer or related treatment. In addition, there will be many patients with palliative needs and you



Typical working pattern in this placement	<ul> <li>will need to work both with the Oncology and Palliative Care teams in the hospital as well as community based support services.</li> <li>Clerking patients for elective cancer procedures - checking bloods, that patient is well, pre/post-chemo supportive medications (you will not be responsible for authorising chemo drugs)</li> <li>Clerking acute admissions - typically complications from cancer or related treatment i.e. neutropenic sepsis, spinal cord compression, symptom control.</li> <li>Regular Consultant led ward rounds and follow up from these.</li> <li>General oncology ward duties -blood forms, TTOs, speak to family members, arrange/prepare for end of life/referral to hospices</li> <li>'Normal day' shift 8.30am-4.30pm Twilight shift typically 1pm – 9pm On-call 'long day' shifts 12 hrs</li> <li>Typically two Oncology Registrars are ward-based who will organise / distribute juniors across the wards, provide senior guidance with ward rounds and highlighted ill/urgent patients.</li> <li>In addition, you will interact with patient's 'parent team (i.e. consultant/registrar) via their weekly ward rounds plus on as-needed basis driven by clinical considerations.</li> <li>There is an on-call Consultant, who usually check in with ward registrars and yourselves for any escalated concerns.</li> </ul>
	For out-of-hours/twilight shifts, you will cover both Oncology & Haematology wards. Occasionally during 'normal day' shift Oncology juniors may cover Haematology (and vice versa) depending on staffing level.
Guardian of Safe Working	Dr Jason Goh
Director of Medical Education	Dr Ola Erinfolami
Rota Co- ordinator	To be confirmed at your local departmental induction.
Educational Supervisor	To be added to Horus prior to starting in post
Medical Resourcing	MedicalResourcing@uhb.nhs.uk
Employer information	UHB is one of the largest teaching hospital trusts in England, serving a regional, national, and international population.
	Our multiple sites, Birmingham Heartlands Hospital, the Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham, Solihull Hospital and Community Services, Good Hope



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It is important to note that this description is a typical example of your placement and may be subject to change.