**Job Title:** ST 1 and ST2

**Speciality:** Emergency Medicine

**Duration of Post:** 6 months as part of the GP Specialist training programme

Base: Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust

**Responsible to:** Consultants in Emergency Department

Working Hours: 48 hours

On-call: Full shift

#### **Duties of the Post**

SHOs are responsible to the Consultants and the Trust for:

- The assessment and management of acute undifferentiated adult patients presenting to the emergency department.
- Arranging for the follow-up of patients they treat in the Department including the follow-up of any investigations performed and the taking of appropriate action in accordance with the results of these.
- Good communication of clinical information with colleagues both in the emergency department and with the hospital inpatient teams
- Supervision of nursing staff in matters relating to the treatment of patients.
- Maintenance of adequate and proper records on patients and producing of letters, reports and other documentation as required for medical, legal and statutory purposes.
- Instruction of nursing staff, FY2 and medical students

### **Clinical Governance**

Undertake induction and mandatory training, including completion of the Educational Agreement.

In accordance with the Educational Contract, take part in audit.

Adverse incident reporting

#### **Teaching**

Manchester undergraduates are attached to the unit. The post holder is encouraged to teach them informally, and give them opportunities to clerk patients and present their histories.

## **Educational Aspects of the Post**

#### Purpose of the post:

The post provides an environment that develops skills in teamwork, communication skills, prioritisation, and decision making.

The learning objectives are based on the new General Practice curriculum where clear learning outcomes are stated. The areas covered are from the RCGP curriculum statement 7: Care of Acutely III People

# **A&E Post GPST: Learning Objectives**

Areas of curriculum to be covered	Where this may be achieved during the post
Be competent in assessing patients	
presenting with the symptoms outlined below	
including:	
Assessing the patient's clinical	
safety/stability: ABC principles	
<ul> <li>Logically and systematically gathering</li> </ul>	
information	
Generating an appropriate differential	
diagnosis	
Appropriately choosing investigations	
Using the information gathered and	
investigation results to test the differential	
diagnoses and to decide on the most	
likely diagnosis	
Chest pain	
Dyspnoea	
Haemorrhage	
Shock	
Wheeze	
Stridor	
Choking	
Convulsions or fits	
Reduced level on consciousness	
Confusion	
Threatened self-harm	
Delusional states	
Abdominal pain	
Vomiting	
Diarrhoea	
Headache	
Acute visual loss	
Non-accidental injury in children	
Acute back pain	
Acute musculoskeletal pain	

Be competent in the immediate management of the conditions outlined below including: Being able to explain the diagnosis to the patient • Being able to describe and implement appropriate management plans Being able to discuss the management plan with the patient Taking into account the patient's (and carer's) view's and belief's and to manage the patient ethically Exploring and checking the patient's understanding of what has taken place • Working effectively within the team to manage the patient's condition Being able to refer to other secondary care specialties or back into primary care appropriately Anaphylaxis Acute coronary syndrome Arrhythmias Heart failure/pulmonary oedema Pulmonary embolism Asthma COPD Pneumonia Uncontrolled diabetes Appendicitis • Bowel obstruction and perforation Peptic ulceration Gallstone disease Pancreatitis Dissecting aneurysms Limb ischaemia Ectopic pregnancy Miscarriage Meningitis and septicaemia Common fractures and injuries Sciatica Be able to perform and interpret an ECG Be able to suture a wound Be able to perform cardiopulmonary

resuscitation

Be able to use a nebuliser

Be able to control a haemorrhage

Be able to make coherent and	
comprehensive medical records	
Be able to describe the options for	
communicating with the Primary Health Care	
Team and appropriately use these in patient	
care	

#### **Educational content:**

The post holder will have a named clinical supervisor who is accountable for the overall educational experience of the job.

The post holder will also attend the fortnightly educational meetings organised by the General Practice Primary Care Medical Educator.

The post holder will participate in a continuing programme of education in A&E within the hospital department. This will be encouraged by various educational methods including self directed learning, tutorials, audit, case studies, computer based learning and clinical practice.

The post holder will be entitled to study leave in accordance with national and local guidelines.

The post holder should record progress in their e-portfolio.

## **The Appraisal and Educational Assessment:**

Trainees should be appraised at the beginning of their job, at 12 weeks and at the end of the job to provide educational feedback and suggest ways forward.

Educational Assessment should be based on the core curriculum.

At the end of the post the clinical supervisor will complete the supervisors report in the trainee's e-portfolio. The trainee should give feedback on the training post.