

North Central Thames Foundation School (NCTFS)

Individual Placement Description - Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust

Placement	F2 Obstetrics & Gynaecology
The department	Women's Health Department
The type of work to expect and learning opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A mix of obstetrics and gynaecology experience, with some potential to express preference as to mix of obstetrics versus gynaecology (based on personal preference and service needs). • The job provides an excellent opportunity, usually in a busy environment, to increase experience in history-taking, examination and overall clinical assessment of patients (for both ward patients and patients presented to accident and emergency, and emergency gynae unit), clinical decision-making, development of management plans, discharge planning/ execution. The learning environment is supportive with supervision by consultants and registrars, both formally and as required intra-day. • For those interested in pursuing a career in O&G, there are significant opportunities to develop knowledge and practical skills specific to the specialty. For those interested in medicine, there are extensive opportunities to learn important general skills as listed above, including dealing with medical problems and findings which arise either as co-morbidities or incidentally. For those interested in surgery, there are opportunities to manage the surgical patient pre- and post-op and to develop basic practical surgical skills.
Location	Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust
Supervisor(s)	Miss Mavrides
Main duties of the placement	<p>There are a number of different roles which the O&G SHOs rotate through on a daily or weekly basis. At any one time, there are six SHOs and one FY1 on duty (with a further two SHO on fixed leave). The different roles include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gynae on-call (full days) - Emergency gynae unit (full days) - Labour ward (full days) - Postnatal ward (full days) - Theatre (half days) - Elective caesarean sections (half days) - Gynae or antenatal clinic (half days)
Typical working pattern in this placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typical working pattern in this post e.g. ward rounds, clinics, theatre sessions Daily/weekly/monthly (if applicable) • There is considerable variability between weeks but a typical week might include: Mon: Gynae on call (8 till 1), EGU (1 till 5) Tues: Labour ward Wed: Gynae clinic or theatre (9 till 1), post-natal ward (1 till 5) Thurs: Gynae on call (8 till 1), teaching (1 till 5) Fri: Gynae (11 till 8) Sat/ Sun: See below • <i>On call requirements:</i> 1. On call 8 till 8 one weekend in four (either LW or gynae) 2. On call one evening per week till 8pm 3. No nights On week in eight, gynae on call 1 till 10 for four days (Mon to Thurs) with Friday off.
Employer information	<p>The Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust is a high-performing trust with some of the best clinical outcomes in the country.</p> <p>The trust has around 900 beds and sees about 700,000 patients a year from all over the world. We employ around 5,500 people and have a turnover of about £550m.</p> <p>We are Dr Foster's 'large trust of the year' for 2010 and the organisation particularly praised our patient safety and infection control record. We are ranked among the best English trusts for mortality rates - our rate is 29 per cent below the national average. We have the lowest MRSA bacteraemia rate among London teaching hospitals and are on target to reduce rates of c.difficile infections.</p> <p>Our mission is to be in the top 10 hospitals in England for clinical quality, customer satisfaction, staff satisfaction and financial performance. We want to give patients the best possible care in a safe, clean and welcoming environment.</p>

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