

## **Specialist Registrar in Paediatric Emergency Medicine in the North West Deanery**

### **Background Information**

Appointments will be made to a twelve month rotation which follows the guidelines set out by the College of Emergency Medicine for subspecialty training in Paediatric Emergency Medicine. Those appointed will already hold an NTN in Emergency Medicine. Satisfactory completion of the rotation will lead to the award of a CCT in Emergency Medicine with Paediatric Emergency Medicine

The PEM rotation comprises 12 months spent in the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital – a specialist secondary and tertiary children's hospital located in Central Manchester with all specialties on site. 6 months spent will be spent in the Emergency Department and 3 months each in Paediatric ICU and Paediatric Acute Medicine

Upon appointment trainees must formally register with the College of Emergency Medicine as subspecialty trainees in Paediatric Emergency Medicine. The college will advise the trainee of the effect on the prospective date for their CCT.

### **Paediatric Emergency Medicine**

Paediatric Emergency Medicine training will take place in the Emergency Department at RMCH. This recently opened department is the only wholly Paediatric Emergency Department in Greater Manchester, seeing children under 16 years. As well as standard attendances RMCH is a designated Major Trauma Centre and many children are seen who have complex medical problems. There is a three bedded resuscitation room which is often full and an 8 bedded Children's Clinical Decision unit which admits children for up to 12 hours under the care of Emergency Physicians. Some 45,000 new children attend each year. The Department is staffed by Consultants from the Central Manchester University Hospitals Trust Emergency Department consortium (four of whom have subspecialty training in PEM), who provide shop-floor presence during the day and evening and a number of hours at weekends. The Department also offers training at CT3 level with all core trainees in the North Western Deanery spending 6 months at the RMCH PED during their third year.

### **Paediatric Intensive Care**

The PICU at RMCH is a new, state of the art unit. It has a capacity of 20 children. There is also a HDU of similar size. Consultant Paediatric Intensivists are resident in the hospital to provide support to the unit. PEM trainees will be placed on the middle grade PICU rota.

### Paediatric Acute Medicine

RMCH acts as a DGH for the population of Central Manchester, however owing to the location of the PED in the tertiary hospital many children come from out of the immediate area and subsequently require admission. There is a 28 bed General Medical ward located adjacent to the PED.

PEM trainees will be expected to provide some support to the acute service and attend ward rounds. There will also be access to speciality clinics as required for training.

### Research Training

There is no provision for dedicated research time within this appointment. Although research training is desirable it cannot be incorporated into subspecialty training in PEM in the time available.

### Summary

The Deanery provides a training programme that fulfils the requirements of the curriculum document for subspecialty training in Paediatric Emergency Medicine. Trainees successfully completing this programme will be able to progress to a CCT in Emergency Medicine with Paediatric Emergency Medicine

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