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The Pennine Acute Hospital NHS Trust serves the communities of North Manchester, Bury, Oldham and Rochdale. This area is collectively known as the North East sector of Greater Manchester. The Trust provides a range of elective and emergency, district general services some specialist services from 4 sites.

North Manchester General Hospital
Fairfield General Hospital
The Royal Oldham Hospital
Rochdale Infirmary

Our aim is to introduce Foundation doctors to academic training in the field of medical education and certain clinical specialties in order to inspire and encourage individuals to undertake further academic training. We want your academic training to be as broad as your foundation training.

Features of the programme include:

1. As an academic trainee at Pennine Trust you will spend one session per week, usually in the afternoon, on your academic activities over a period of two years.
2. You will be required to undertake research, publication of papers and presentations at academic meetings. Whilst attaining all the usual foundation competencies, you will be expected to acquire extra experience and expertise in generic skills.
3. This will include some responsibilities in organisation and delivery of teaching.
4. You will have named academic educational supervisor/mentor.
5. All academic trainees will be encouraged to undertake the writing of a review article. The final article will be submitted to a peer review journal for publication.
6. For all academic trainees whether research, educational or management focused they will be expected to deliver a teaching seminar at which their educational supervisor will be present and will give formal feedback on teaching competence based on an audience feedback.
7. You will be required to take the regional Good Clinical Practice Course.

Research is not limited to medical education, the AFTS at Pennine are currently working on projects in the field of medical education, gastroenterology, Infectious Diseases, Vascular and Orthopaedic
Surgery and Geriatric medicine to name a few. You will be required to make contact with your academic supervisor as soon as possible on arrival. Discussion and preparatory work around medical education activity/research can begin as soon as possible to make you stay productive. You will be required to express interests in your desired speciality and your academic supervisor will organise the essential meetings with respective supervisors. Point of contact is Dr Sarita Sochart – Sarita.Sochart@pat.nhs.uk

You should have ample opportunity to plan, deliver and present your own project related to education and training. In particular there are excellent opportunities to work in areas of medical education. As an example, three of the AFTs have national oral and poster presentations already in addition to projects that are in progress.

An opportunity is available to get involved in updating and writing a Cochrane review at Pennine Acute Trust. A team of doctors led by Gaity Ahmad (Consultant Gynaecologist) work closely with Cochrane Menstrual disorder and sub-fertility group based at Auckland. There is an opportunity to get training in updating and writing Cochrane reviews. The group has written and updated several Cochrane reviews; the team is involved in a number of related activities, including providing training in Cochrane review preparation, developing the methodology for preparing reviews and ability to critically appraise scientific papers. We have successfully applied for NHIR funding to write a Cochrane Overview. New members are welcome and will be fully supported to reach their full potential. As an example, two of the AFTs have published in this area.

Opportunities are also available for interested AFPTs to work in the area of Orthopaedic surgery. The Orthopaedic and Trauma department at Pennine Acute Hospital NHS Trust has 22 consultants specialising in all aspects of acute and elective Orthopaedic surgery, except elective Paediatric and Tumour surgery. There are 12 consultants on the West axis (NMGH & FGH) and 10 on the East (ROH & RI). The well-established lower limb arthroplasty and reconstruction service is one of the largest and busiest in the UK, with a good track record of research and publication. There are on-going long term studies, but with many changes in practice there is ample opportunity for audit based projects and prospective studies. There is also good support available from the Trauma co-ordinators, the dedicated Ortho-Geriatric service and the facilities of the Post-Graduate centre.

The foot and ankle service is based in Rochdale and has links with the Gait laboratories at the University of Salford. The Upper Limb service is expanding and once again there is much scope for research and audit in this evolving specialty. The units contribute to the National Joint Registry and National Hip Fracture Database and have strong links with the Orthopaedic and Trauma MSc Course at the University of Salford. As an example, two of the AFTs have two presentations at an International conference this year.
It is important to note that the job descriptions below are a typical example of your placements and may be subject to change.

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Post details Foundation Year 1

**Placement 1**
General Medicine – Fairfield General Hospital

**Clinical Supervisor** – Dr R Namushi

**Where is the placement based** - Ward based General/Geriatric/Endocrinology patients

**Brief description of the department** - Busy ward with 26 beds, fast turnover of Geriatric and General Medical patients, Multidisciplinary approach.

**Main duties of the post** – Ward rounds, day to day work on busy ward, practical procedures. Regular MDT meetings, teaching of Undergraduates, attendance of out-patient clinics. Participation in Medicine teaching and audit with appropriate supervision of all duties

**Typical working pattern in this post** –
Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm
Mon: AM Consultant ward round and PM ward work
Tues: Ward work
Wed: AM SpR ward round and PM ward work
Thurs: AM teaching Consultant ward round and PM FY1 teaching
Fri: AM Consultant ward round and PM academic activity
**Placement 2**  
Surgery/Urology – North Manchester General Hospital  
Clinical Supervisor – Mr Hussain  
Where is the placement based – Ward based, NMGH  
Brief description of the department – General/Emergency surgery in a busy District General Hospital  
Main duties of the post – Ward work, post take ward rounds, theatre attendance, clerking of elective patients and attendance at out-patient clinics  
Typical working pattern in this post –  
Monday to Friday 8am to 4pm  
Mon: Ward rounds, ward work and elective clerking  
Tues: Ward rounds, ward work, elective clerking and theatre  
Wed: Ward rounds, ward work, elective clerking and theatre  
Thurs: Ward rounds, ward work and FY1 teaching 1pm – 5pm  
Fri: Ward rounds, ward work and academic activity  
On call requirements: On call on the surgical rota

**Placement 3**  
Radiology – Fairfield General Hospital  
Clinical Supervisor – Dr S Limdi  
Where is the placement based – Department based  
Brief description of the department – The radiology department provides an imaging service covering all imaging modalities apart from nuclear medicine, which is available at another of the hospitals within the Trust  
Main duties of the post – The post is supernumerary with no fixed service commitment, there are opportunities to learn new skills including performing radiological examinations under supervision, the FY1 is encouraged to conduct an audit. Opportunity to learn to perform radiological procedures, radiological anatomy and interpret radiological examinations  
Typical working pattern in this post –  
Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm  
A timetable is drawn up for each trainee depending on individual interests and needs  
Foundation teaching takes place every Thursday afternoon 1pm – 5pm  
Opportunity to attend MDT and clinical meetings
Post details Foundation Year 2

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<td>Brief description of the department – Dawes Family Practice is based on Spotlands Road, Rochdale. It has a list size of just over 7500 patients and currently 2 full-time and 3 part-time doctors who work in the surgery</td>
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<td>Main duties of the post – The Foundation doctor will have the duty to hold surgeries in the morning and afternoon unless away for education. The doctor will see pre-booked patients as well as cases booked in on the same day with either an exacerbation of a chronic problem or an acute minor ailment. The Foundation doctor will do home visits, request investigations, look at results and act on them. The doctor may do telephone consultations if appropriate. The doctor will have the opportunity to undertake an audit. The Foundation doctor will have access to his/her own consulting room, equipped with a computer and access to the internet. The Foundation doctor is expected to attend the monthly education meeting, usually with outside speakers who are invited to talk about a hot topic. The doctor will attend the weekly Primary Health Care team meeting for case discussions. The doctor will be released to attend the Foundation teaching for meetings and self-study</td>
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### Placement 2
Emergency Medicine – Fairfield General Hospital  
**Clinical Supervisor** – Dr R Shetty  
**Where is the placement based** – Emergency Department, FGH  
**Brief description of the department** – The Emergency Department is part of the Directorate of Unscheduled Care in the Division of Medicine. There is long standing close working relationships between the Emergency department and the Intensive Care, High Dependency and Coronary Care units. The department receives all types of emergencies  
**Main duties of the post** – The FY2 trainee is expected to see all the different types of emergencies, initiate appropriate management and investigation and discuss any concerns with a senior supervisor. The trainee will work as part of the Emergency Department Team in managing seriously ill and injured patients including paediatrics. The trainee will communicate appropriately with in-patient teams and General Practitioners. They will learn to make decisions appropriately and effectively and prioritise their work. Weekly protected teaching is provided and will take part in Foundation courses for Emergency Medicine.  
**Typical working pattern in this post** –  
Full shift rota  
Tues: PM Foundation Teaching 1pm – 5pm  
Fri: Academic activity

### Placement 3
Acute Medicine – Fairfield General Hospital  
**Clinical Supervisor** – Dr S Pradhan  
**Where is the placement based** – Ward based  
**Brief description of the department** – Busy 35 bedded medical admissions unit, with twice daily Consultant ward rounds 7 days per week  
**Main duties of the post** – Ward rounds, day to day work on the busy ward. Practical procedures, attendance at regular MDT meeting, teaching of Undergraduates. Attend out-patient clinics, participation in Medicine teaching and audit with appropriate supervision for all duties. Supervised clerking and management of acute medical emergencies, management of patients in HDU/ITU settings  
**Typical working pattern in this post** –  
9am to 5 pm  
AM - post take ward rounds with MAU Consultants  
PM – Ward work and clerking patients  
Tues: PM Foundation Teaching 1pm -5pm  
Fri: Academic activity