

Student Placement information

Jane Ashley Day Unit

The Jane Ashley Day Unit is a busy day surgery department that looks after the patients going to the Churchill Theatres. Patients will begin their perioperative journey here and for some, return here post operatively in preparation for discharge home.

Our aim is to offer a caring and friendly environment for men, women and children (including people with special needs) who can be admitted safely on a planned basis and discharged home on the same day. Inpatients will be transferred to a suitable ward for post-operative care, on an individual basis.

We believe in offering holistic care with courtesy and dignity, having respect for individual, cultural and spiritual beliefs; this is in line with the OUH and Nursing and Midwifery Council standards as dictated by the Department of Health and Social Care.

Our nurses work as a team and are flexible in a fast-moving environment. Each patient is the responsibility of an individual nurse, but patients and family members may ask for assistance from any members of the team when needed.

We aim to provide high quality nursing care based on research. We believe our patients have the right to choose, to be kept informed and to be involved in the care they receive.

We aim to be our patients advocate and provide support for them and their family.

We will provide our patients and carers with the support and information they need to continue their journey at home.

The work is highly variable, the specialties we cover are:

- Urology – including the use of robotic surgery
- Gynaecology-oncology
- Lower Gastrointestinal/Colorectal (LGI)
- Upper Gastrointestinal (UGI)
- Hepatobiliary (HPB)
- Endocrine Surgery
- Breast Surgery
- Maxillofacial
- Ear Nose and Throat
- Plastics
- Vascular Access
- Living Related Donor Transplant

Please make contact with the placement as soon as possible.

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Please email Kim no later than two weeks before the start of your placement. It is highly recommended that you arrange a pre placement visit

Information about the placement

This placement will allow you to develop assessment skills in relation to the surgical patient. You will gain knowledge of the admitting and discharging of patients and will be able to start taking your own patients post operatively to help develop the skills and consolidate your knowledge.

You will also be given the opportunity to visit Theatres and spend time in all areas on a spoke placement where you can learn

Key learning opportunities during the placement

- Practise taking observations
- Patient assessment
- Discharge planning
- Increase knowledge of different surgeries

Suggested spoke placements

- Pre-operative Assessment
- Theatres

Typical shift patterns

Early Shift

06:45 - 15:45 or 07:00 - 16:00

Late Shift

11:00 - 20:00 or 13:00 - 22:00

Long Day

07:00 - 20:00 or 09:00 - 22:00

Local education programmes and interdisciplinary learning

- Perioperative New Starters Induction Day – runs every month and focuses on the basics of Theatres
- S&O Student Academy – delivered online
- Back to Basics – Anaesthetic and Scrub sessions run by Education team on a variety of topics relevant to theatres. Runs weekly, schedule will be available when placement starts
- Monday morning CORU sessions – sessions delivered by Surgeons and Anaesthetists

Useful reading for the area

- Care of the Patient in Surgery – Jane C Rothrick
- Introduction to Anaesthesia – P Greig and N Crabtree
- AfPP in your pocket – Second Edition, the Association for Perioperative Practice