

Student Placement information

Renal Ward – Churchill Hospital

Welcome to the area

Welcome to the Renal Ward. This fast-paced acute specialist medical ward provides care for inpatients who have a diagnosis of chronic kidney disease or acute kidney injury. The nursing team delivers 24 hour care to patients, many of whom have complex care needs.

Please make contact with the placement as soon as possible.

If you want to get in touch with the Ward please call **01865 225780**. Please avoid calling during handover times (07:30 - 08:00 / 19:30 - 20:00) as it might be more difficult for us to attend your call. Our Clinical Educator is available Mondays and Tuesdays between 08:00 and 18:30.

Information about the placement

The Renal Ward is located in the Churchill Hospital in the Oxford Kidney Unit. We are just in front of Car Park 2.

We provide a regional renal service for Oxfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Swindon. Complex medicine regimes, invasive renal investigations, renal replacement therapy and palliative care are just some of the routine activities performed by the nursing team.

Key learning opportunities during the placement

- Medication administration including controlled and intravenous drugs
- Renal biopsy
- Central Venous Catheter insertion and care
- Complex discharge planning
- Palliative care

Suggested spoke placements

- Renal Day Case
- Renal PD Unit
- Renal Specialist Team – Access Team, Pre-Dialysis Team, Renal Anaemia Team, Renal Bone and Mineral Disease, Research Team
- Renal Dialysis
- Transplant
- Urology

Typical shift patterns, days department is open

We are open 24/7. Our shift pattern is as follow:

- Early 07:30 - 14:30 (30 minutes unpaid break)
- Late 13:30 - 20:00 (30 minutes unpaid break)
- Long day 07:30 - 20:00 (one hour's unpaid break)

- Night Shift 19:30 - 08:00

Interdisciplinary learning

You might encounter different learners:

- Medical Students
- Trainee Nursing Associates
- Dietitian Students
- Occupational Therapist Students
- Physiotherapy Students

Local education programmes

You will be invited to attend Student Academy. This is a weekly programme that offers two hours of structured placement related education. The session is composed of a one hour specialty talk and one hour reflective group discussions.

Useful reading for the placement

- [Think Kidney](#)
- [Kidney Research](#)
- [Kidney Care](#)
- [Kidney](#)