

## Peritoneal Dialysis (CAPD) Unit, Churchill Hospital

### Information about the placement

Welcome to the PD Unit. Here, the nursing team provides a far-reaching service for those patients who choose a home therapy and opt for peritoneal dialysis as their modality for renal replacement therapy. We welcome students to our department and are keen to share our knowledge of PD treatments, and our skills in patient education and empowerment. Patients are encouraged to be self-caring in their own treatment. We also have specialist PD nurses in the network units at Milton Keynes, High Wycombe, and Swindon.

Please make contact with the placement as soon as possible.

### Contact details

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### Location

The PD Unit is located in the Churchill Hospital in the Oxford Kidney Unit. Follow directions for Tarver Dialysis Unit and you'll be able to find us. We are next to the Renal Annex.

### Key learning opportunities

- Anatomy and physiology of the abdomen and peritoneum.
- Patient training sessions, home visits
- Nurse-led assessments, diagnosis and treatment
- Providing patients skills to become experts in their own treatment
- Pre-op assessments and surgical work-up
- Problem solving skills
- Understanding renal function, fluid balance and bowel care
- Inpatient support for patients with complications

### Suggested spoke placements

- Renal Day Case
- Renal Ward

- Renal Specialist Team – Access Team, Pre-Dialysis Team, Renal Anaemia Team, Renal Bone and Mineral Disease, Research Team
- Renal Dialysis Ward
- Transplant Ward
- Urology Ward

### **Typical shift patterns**

We are open Monday to Friday.

Our typical shift pattern is 08:00 to 18:00.

### **Interdisciplinary learning**

You might encounter different learners:

- Medical Students
- Trainee Nursing Associates

### **Useful reading for the placement**

- [Think Kidneys](#)
- [Kidney Research UK](#)
- [Kidney Care UK](#)
- [National Kidney Foundation](#)
- [International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis](#)