

Critical Care Unit, Horton General Hospital

Information about the placement

We are a 4 bed HDU that currently has 4 General Medical Escalation beds open.

Our patients include; those requiring advanced respiratory care, such as High Flow Nasal Oxygen and Non-invasive Ventilation; cardiac monitoring; post-operative care for orthopaedic patients with other co-morbidities; stabilisation of critically unwell patients prior to transfer to an intensive care facility; and unstable diabetic ketoacidotic patients.

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Best time to contact us: during day shift.

Location

Horton Medical Block, opposite doors to RAU, other end of the corridor from EAU.

Key learning opportunities

- Patient assessment
- Cardiac monitoring and rhythm recognition
- High Flow Oxygen and non-invasive ventilation
- Diabetic ketoacidosis care

Suggested spoke placements

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- Cardiac monitoring and rhythm recognition
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Typical shift patterns

Long days: 07:30 - 20:00

Nights: 19:30 - 08:00

Interdisciplinary learning

- Physiotherapist involvement in care

Useful reading for the placement

- Cardiac anatomy and physiology
- Respiratory anatomy and physiology
- MIL for diabetic ketoacidosis