

# PRACTICE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT PROFILE

Learning Environment (Care Group):	RADIOLOGY	Division:	D
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## GENERAL INFORMATION

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UHS VALUES	<div> <p><b>PATIENTS FIRST</b></p> <p><b>WORKING TOGETHER</b></p> <p><b>ALWAYS IMPROVING</b></p> </div> <p>Please reflect on what these values mean to <u>YOU</u></p>

## USEFUL LINKS



UHS



GETTING HERE



CQC



NMC



LIBRARY



WELCOME LETTER



NHS ENGLAND



HCPC

## INDUCTION INFORMATION

<b>Trust induction</b>	As a student, a specific placement induction is organised. Please ensure completion of any relevant items in your practice assessment document linked to induction/orientation. 1 <sup>st</sup> day induction and orientation: learning objectives and assessments are discussed, learner contract is agreed and signed off, and any pastoral issues/identified risks are discussed on a one-to-one basis. A risk assessment may be undertaken if health issues are identified.
<b>Orientation / useful documents</b>	See Induction Pack (this will be sent to you by the Education team before your placement starts)
<b>Expectations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Professional behaviour</li> <li>▪ Willing to learn</li> <li>▪ Punctuality</li> <li>▪ Represent university and UHS</li> <li>▪ Adherence to appearance policy (below)</li> <li>▪ Wear ID badge at all times</li> <li>▪ Expected to do all types of shifts</li> <li>▪ Ensure contacted clinical area for details of assigned mentor prior to placement</li> </ul>

## PROFILE

WARD / AREA	SERVICE & CLIENT GROUP	LOCATION
<b>Emergency Department</b>	This is a 24hr service, part of the UHS Major Trauma Centre providing adult and paediatric trauma radiography emergency and general theatre imaging. There are 3 DR x-ray rooms, DR mobiles and a fleet of image intensifiers	East Wing, C level, SGH
<b>Main x-ray department</b>	Provides planar imaging for inpatients and outpatients Fluoroscopy and mobile radiography for adult in-patients and out-patients. There are 5 DR X-ray rooms, 2 state of the art digital fluoroscopy rooms, and a fleet of DR mobiles.	Centre Block, C level,
<b>Interventional Radiology.</b>	Interventional services - a wide range of complex vascular, non-vascular and oncology procedures in 2 Siemens interventional labs in addition to a Hybrid Lab. The unit is the cancer centre and major vascular hub within the region.	C'Level

<b>Royal South Hants</b>	Satellite hospital providing services to outpatient clinics and GP referrals has 4DR x-ray rooms.	Royal South Hants Hospital.
<b>Children's x-ray</b>	There are 3 DR rooms, a fluoroscopy room, and an ultrasound room, and a satellite x-ray room in the purpose-built Children's ED. There is a fleet of DR mobiles and image intensifiers to provide radiography on the wards and in theatres.	Centre Block, C level and Children's ED
<b>Cross sectional imaging</b>	There are currently 6 CT and 5 MRI scanners providing services including major trauma, oncology and MSK.	C level (multiple areas) and B level
<b>Cardiothoracic</b>	Catheter Lab providing cardiac services including pacemaker ablations stents and TABI.	E level & F level
<b>Nuclear Medicine</b>	2x SPECT CT cameras providing a full range of diagnostic tests. In vitro lab for GFR testing. Molecular Radiotherapy.	D level
<b>Ultrasound</b>	In patient and outpatient services 6 rooms on C'level. 2 at RSH	C level
<b>Additional Learning opportunities.</b>	Lithotripsy, DR Dental Imaging room- Xograph. Specialist Neuro radiography	Various Locations.

## LEARNER INFORMATION

<b>Work pattern (shifts, start and finish times)</b>	Students are supervised at all times. They are expected to work Monday to Friday and can work hours between 0730 to 2200 as rostered by the Link Team. Out-of-hours sessions: Year 1: some weekend day and/or evening shifts Year 2: w/e days; some evenings to 22:00 Year 3: various hours including nights by agreement with Link
<b>IT and resources</b>	Medical Library: South Academic Block (A level), open Mon–Thurs, 08:30-21:30, Fri until 18:00, also weekend days Radiography reference texts in main and ED x-ray departments
<b>Staff room / rest room facilities</b>	Main dept staff room as required. Students to provide their own tea, coffee and milk. Changing room facilities and limited number of student lockers are available.
<b>Common conditions and assessments</b>	Trauma, musculoskeletal conditions, urological, oncology, gerontological and paediatric pathology
<b>Common procedures and expertise</b>	All types of conventional imaging especially Trauma and Orthopaedics GI and urological fluoroscopy Theatre and mobile radiography Limited MR and CT

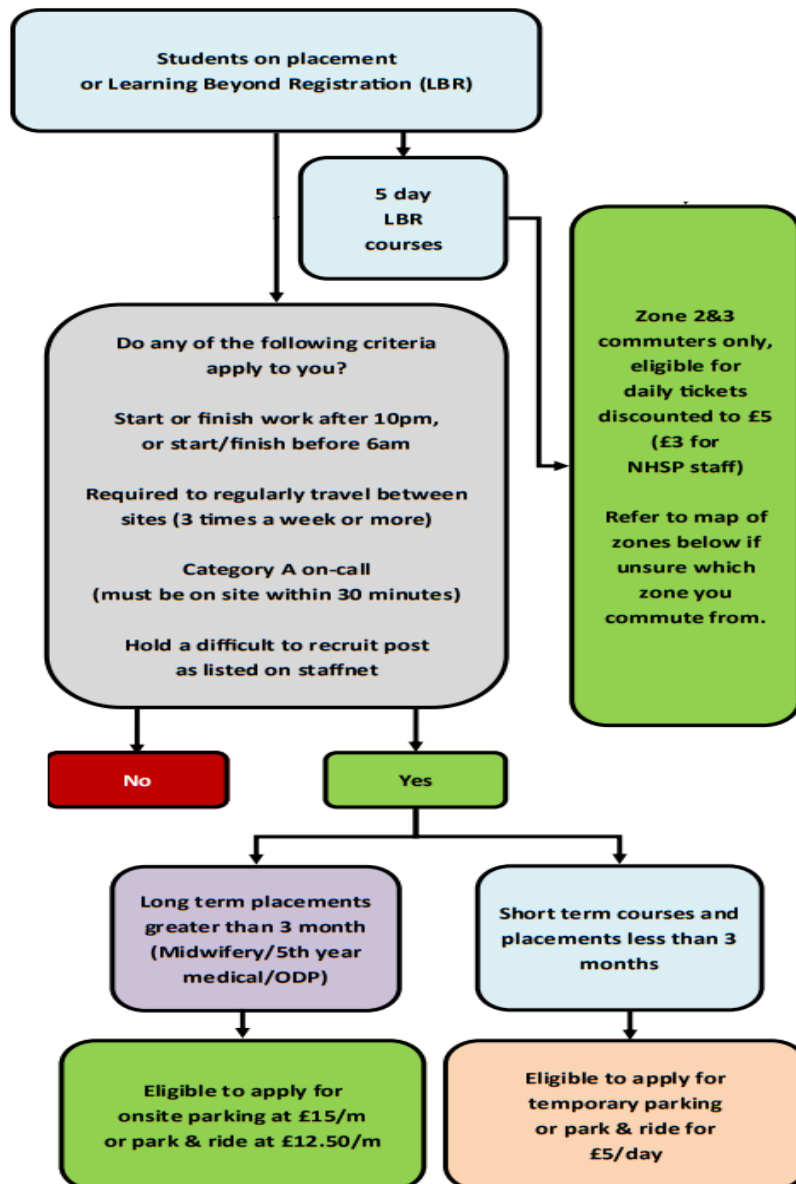
	Limited US and Nuclear medicine
<b>Glossary of terms</b>	Full details when in practice.
<b>Abbreviations and short terms</b>	Full details when in practice.
<b>Specific learning opportunities and multiprofessional working opportunities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Technique Workshops</li> <li>▪ Seminars &amp; lectures</li> <li>▪ Clinical Supervision</li> <li>▪ UHS portal</li> <li>▪ Continual assessment &amp; workbook completion</li> <li>▪ Education ½ days</li> <li>▪ Multidisciplinary team working</li> </ul>
<b>Recommended reading prior to placement</b>	As per the University of Portsmouth's curriculum

## APPEARANCE

REQUIRED STANDARD	RATIONALE
<b>Clothes/designated uniform: All clothes/uniform should be smart and in good repair.</b> An overall professional appearance which cannot be deemed offensive to patients, colleagues and the public should be maintained e.g. no low necklines, bare midriffs, very short skirts or potentially offensive slogans or tattoos. No denim, leggings, flip flops or strappy vest tops to be worn. The only exception to these standards for clinical environments is where health and safety legislation require a person to wear specialist protective clothing for health and safety purposes.	Professional appearance.  Health and safety regulations
<b>Hair:</b> Must be clean, neat, and tidy and tied back off the face and off the collar. Hair must not be able to fall forward onto patients. Hair accessories and fastenings should be discreet. Any headwear worn for religious purposes should be clean and laundered daily and should be in keeping with the overall corporate appearance.	Potential for wound contamination from loose hair. Providing hair is clean and tidy the risk of dispersal is minimal. When hair is touched micro-organisms on the hands will transfer to the hair and from hair to hands, potentially increasing risk of infection to staff.
<b>Fingernails:</b> Must be clean and short. Nail varnish, acrylic nails and false nails must NOT be worn.	To avoid transferring bacteria under the fingernails. Reduces the risk of trauma when involved in direct patient contact.
<b>Jewellery: Rings:</b> Only one plain metal band ring may be worn. <b>Watches:</b> No wristwatches are to be worn in any clinical environment. <b>Necklaces:</b> No necklaces are to be worn in the clinical environment. Medic-alert jewellery is not to be worn on the wrist (but could be attached	jewellery may be hazardous for the following reasons: Jewellery, even plain gold bands (wedding rings) have been shown to colonise with micro-organisms (Hoffman et al 1985) Rings with stones are hazardous and may cause trauma to patients Stones in jewellery may become

to uniform) and must be cleanable, plain and discreet.	dislodged Jewellery that is hanging e.g. necklaces, could be dangerous to staff and patients in potentially violent situations Appropriate hand washing techniques are prevented by the wearing of wristwatches
<b>Piercings: Earrings:</b> one pair of small plain metal studs only should be worn. All new visible body piercings must be covered with a blue plaster until the wound has healed. No other visible piercings are allowed.	New wounds shed high levels of bacteria. Professional appearance is important for patient confidence. Food hygiene regulations
<b>ID Badge:</b> As for all staff Trust ID Badges must be <b>worn at all times</b> in a clearly visible	To conform to Trust Security Policy
<b>Footwear:</b> Must be clean, plain, low heeled, non-porous, enclosed and in a good state of repair and ideally have a non slip tread. Shoe style and colour must be in keeping with the overall uniform style. Only staff wearing scrubs may wear white/black shoes/clogs or 'crops' (without holes). Theatre footwear may be of various colours Footwear for ward based staff should be soft soled to reduce the level of noise particularly at night. In some areas protective footwear must be worn (as detailed in local policies).	Shoes in a poor state of repair and those with no tread are a safety risk. Staff working in a clinical area must take noise issues into account regarding their footwear. It cannot be decontaminated, and/or does not provide adequate protection from spillages and dropped equipment Health and Safety statutory requirement.
<b>Belts/Epaulettes:</b> Belts should not be worn when involved in direct patient contact/care. Epaulettes should be clean and laundered at least weekly	Risk of trauma to patients. Ease of movement for staff. Reduces risk of cross-infection.
<b>Tights/Stockings/Socks:</b> If not wearing trousers, tights must be worn and be plain black or natural colour. In the case of extreme hot weather, deviations from this policy will be communicated to staff by the appropriate authorising manager / professional lead.	To promote a professional appearance.
<b>Designated uniform:</b> Must be changed daily and laundered at 60 C and ironed prior to wearing.	Reduces the risk of cross-infection. Care of Linen Policy. Professional appearance and patient confidence.
<b>Makeup and Perfume:</b> Discreet makeup may be worn. Perfume and aftershaves must be subtle	To promote a professional appearance. For patient and colleagues comfort.
<b>Additional garments e.g. fleece/cardigan:</b> must not be worn when delivering direct patient care. Fleece/cardigans that are worn must be of a plain dark colour, must not have any non Trust logo's and be of smart appearance. Theatre jackets may be worn when the environmental temperature is low (e.g. cardiac) but must be removed if direct patient care is involved.	Reduces the risk of cross-infection
<b>Personal Hygiene:</b> Staff must ensure their appearance is clean, tidy and they are free from body odour when they are at work.	To promote a professional appearance. For patient and colleagues comfort

## PARKING



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