



We are an Acute, 500-bed district general hospital located in Harlow town centre in Essex.

The Princess Alexandra Hospital NHS Trust, Harlow, Essex CM20 1QX

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Foundation Training Opportunities for Pharmacy graduates

We offer 4 placements

- 3 x 12-month hospital
- 1 x 6-month hospital plus 6-month GP placement

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We offer acute hospital services to a catchment population of 350,000 people as well as Emergency Services to over 100,000 annually.

Core values

We pride ourselves on following our core values of: Being Respectful, Caring, Responsible and Committed, Putting the patient at the centre.

The Pharmacy department

Our team consists of over 90 individuals who play a core part of the hospital structure and an integral role within the multidisciplinary healthcare team.

Our department covers different areas: Automated Central Dispensary, Medicines Information, Stores and a Technical Services Unit which prepares chemotherapy and Total Parenteral Nutrition for the Oncology/ Haematology Day Unit.

Our Clinical Pharmacy Team work closely with doctors, nurses and other allied healthcare professionals to provide the best possible care for our patients. Our main focus is on achieving the "80% Patient Facing" target set by the Carter Report.

Work Experience

- Are vacation placements offered? **Yes**
- How many placements? 6
- Length of each placement: 1 week
- Dates: June to September
- Restrictions as to who can apply:
 Second or third year MPharm students



Foundation training programme

We currently offer 4 foundation training placements (3 x 12-month hospital placements and 1 x 6-month hospital plus 6-month GP practice placement). You will be an integral member of the pharmacy teams at both settings.

As a trainee pharmacist, you will follow a comprehensive training programme with a focus on clinical pharmacy. Our skilled designated supervisors will provide support throughout your journey.

Rotations

Your rotations will include working on a range of clinical wards, Medicines Information, Aseptic Production and Cytotoxic Reconstitution, Clinical Trials and Dispensary.

You will also undertake a range of crosssector placements such as working in a community pharmacy for two weeks, a Local Clinical Commissioning Group for one week and a week in the local Mental Health Trust. We also offer a two-day placement with Quality Control and a day visit to a local Pharmaceutical Company.

Learning support

You will participate in the in-house seminars and teaching sessions, including training with our Medical Students, in order to consolidate your learning and enhance your clinical knowledge and skills.



What our trainees say...



Everyone in the pharmacy team are very friendly and welcoming. They help to ease you into the training year from the very first day. I enjoyed the many different rotations and gained lots of useful and diverse experiences.

> My training year at the Princess Alexandra Hospital greatly improved my confidence as a professional and in public speaking.



For more information about foundation training for pharmacy graduates at our hospital, visit www.foundation-trainee-pharmacists.org