



West Suffolk Hospital is a large district general hospital in Bury St Edmunds and is part of the West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust.

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Foundation Training Opportunities for Pharmacy graduates

We offer 3 placements

- 2 x 12-month hospital
- 1 x 9-month hospital plus 3-month placement at Woolpit Health Centre

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We provide both acute and community healthcare services to a rural population of around 280,000. Our vision is simply to deliver the best quality and safest care to our community and this is reflected in our consistently high results and outcomes.

Core values

We are proud of our core values, **FIRST**. This stands for: **Focused on patients, Integrated, Respectful, Staff focused and Two-way communication.**

The Pharmacy department

Our team is made up of around 100 staff and is committed to providing a round-the-clock service for our patients, who are at the centre of everything we do. We work closely with a vast cross-section of teams and disciplines from across the Trust.

You will be part of a centralised modern department, including a chemotherapy production unit and a robotic dispensary. We also have a fully implemented electronic prescribing system. Our team provide established ward-based clinical services.

There are excellent career progression opportunities available and an active training and education team.

Work Experience

- Are vacation placements offered? **Yes**
- How many placements? **10**
- Length of each placement: **One to two days**
- Dates: **Easter and Summer holidays**
- Restrictions as to who can apply:
Third year pharmacy undergraduates



Foundation Training Programme

We currently offer 3 foundation training placements (2 x 12-month hospital and 1 x 9-month hospital plus 3-month at Woolpit Health Centre). Our trainees are well supported by experienced designated supervisors.

As one of our trainee pharmacists, you will be a highly valued member of a dynamic forward-thinking pharmacy team. You will follow a comprehensive training plan that may be tailored to reflect your learning needs and areas of clinical interest.

Rotations

You will undertake core clinical and dispensary rotations and also work in other areas, including medicines information and the aseptic unit. During your rotations, you will work alongside experienced clinical staff in patient-facing settings from the outset of your training.

We will also support you to complete a 2-week cross-sector placement in Community Pharmacy/General Practice.

Learning support

You will meet with your designated supervisor on a regular basis; they will monitor your progress, as well as support you and your learning needs.



What our trainees say...

“ I wanted to say thank you for all the support, kindness and care shown to me throughout my time here. This has been the most supportive and friendly working environment I have ever worked in.

All the ward pharmacists gave their time and wanted to help. They were an inspiration for what I could achieve.



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