



# Clinical Placement Summary

## Acute Stroke

<b>Placement Area:</b>	Acute Stroke, Ward 21
<b>Placement Address:</b>	Core Therapies Department, Royal Preston Hospital
<b>Telephone Number:</b>	01772 524401
<b>Contact Name:</b>	Tracy McClelland - Band 7 OT
<b>Placement Facilitator</b>	Anita Burke
<b>Type of Placement:</b>	Acute in-patients
<b>Details of type of clients being dealt with:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All patients aged 18 years +</li><li>• Acute stroke</li><li>• TIA</li><li>• Other associated neurological conditions</li><li>• General medical conditions</li></ul>
<b>The type of experience which may be gained from this placement:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Working as part of the Acute Stroke Therapy Team.</li><li>• Working as part of the MDT/core therapy team</li><li>• Communication with patients, families, and carers</li><li>• Management of complex stroke, neuro and medical presentations</li><li>• Functional assessment including PADLs, DADLs, cognition and mood.</li><li>• Discharge planning – including onward referral</li><li>• Use of acute neuro assessment and treatment approaches</li><li>• Functional, cognitive, perceptual, sensory and mood assessment approaches and treatments</li><li>• Assessment of seating including</li></ul>

	<p>wheelchair provision and specialist seating</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding of moving and handling principles</li> <li>• Ordering assistive equipment using the retail model</li> <li>• General understanding of record keeping, consent, time management and prioritisation.</li> <li>• Communication with clients who may have learning difficulties, mental health difficulties, communication/language barriers, cognitive issues or challenging behaviour.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Knowledge and information which would be useful to the student:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understanding the implications of stroke, associated neurological and medical conditions on function</li> <li>• Basic awareness of the management of stroke</li> <li>• Basic understanding of anatomy, physiology, and neuro anatomy of the brain in relation to stroke</li> <li>• Basic awareness of stroke and medical conditions and terminology</li> </ul>
<p><b>Recommended Reading:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinical conditions and presentations related to stroke and associated general medical conditions</li> <li>• Anatomy, neuro anatomy and physiology related to stroke and neurological presentations</li> <li>• Treatment approaches related to stroke and neurological presentation i.e. normal movement (Bobath), functional, compensatory, cognitive and behavioural</li> <li>• Evidence base associated with OT stroke best practice i.e. Royal College of Physicians, Stroke Guidelines, SSNAP, NICE Stroke Guidelines OT stroke assessment and treatment guidelines</li> </ul>

<b>Visits/shadowing which can be arranged:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• OT stroke rehabilitation service at Chorley Hospital</li><li>• MDT services associated with stroke</li><li>• Neurological x-ray including CT and MRI scanners</li><li>• Theatres</li><li>• Community Neurological Team</li></ul>
<b>Hours of work:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monday – Friday: 8.30 – 4.30 with half day study per week for student</li></ul>
Last updated: October 2019 by Lorna Fazackerley OT	