



# Clinical Placement Summary

<b>Placement Area:</b>	Preston NRU
<b>Placement Address:</b>	Core Therapies Department
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<b>Placement Facilitator</b>	Christine Billington Ashlie Hoyle Zaheda Gani Sarah Davidson
<b>Type of Placement:</b>	Acute Neuro Rehabilitation
<b>Details of type of clients being dealt with:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Brain Injury – medical (eg SAH) and traumatic</li><li>• Hypoxic brain injury</li><li>• GBS</li><li>• Brain tumor</li><li>• Rare neurological conditions</li><li>• Spinal injury esp incomplete</li><li>• Multiple trauma</li><li>• Non organic disorder</li><li>• Sensory neuropathy</li><li>• Patients are usually between 16 and 65 and have a complex neurological presentation.</li><li>• In addition to physical problems patients often have cognitive deficits, behavioural problems and speech difficulties.</li></ul>
<b>The type of experience which may be gained from this placement:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assessment, rehab and discharge planning of complex neurological conditions inc:</li><li>• Neuro assessment skills</li><li>• Cognitive/behavioural assessment skills.</li><li>• Functional assessment skills</li><li>• Development to Treatment planning/Progression</li><li>• Tone management/positioning</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of the Bobath concept and its application in a hospital setting</li> <li>• Therapeutic Moving and Handling</li> <li>• MDT working</li> <li>• Communication skills – using alternative methods of communication with patients</li> <li>• Home Visits and community integration</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Knowledge and information which would be useful to the student:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brain injury</li> <li>• Neurological conditions</li> <li>• Brain and its functions</li> <li>• Spinal cord injury</li> <li>• Opportunity to work with other members of the MDT: Physio, SLT and Psychology</li> <li>• Opportunity to go on a home visit/virtual home visit if available.</li> <li>• Shadowing Physio, Psychology, SALT, nursing team.</li> <li>• Student tutorials.</li> <li>• MDT meetings</li> </ul>
<p><b>Recommended Reading:</b></p>	<p>Head Injury: A Practical Guide by Trevor Powell</p> <p><a href="#">Neuropsychology for Occupational Therapists: Cognition in Occupational Performance</a> - by June I. Grieve and Linda Gnanasekaran</p> <p><a href="#">Muscles, Nerves and Movement in Human Occupation</a> by Barbara Tyldesley and June Grieve (Paperback - 5 Aug 2002)</p> <p>Information from Headway available at <a href="http://www.headway.org.uk">www.headway.org.uk</a></p> <p>The Bobath Concept - By Sue Raine and Linzi Meadows</p>

<b>Visits/shadowing which can be arranged:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MDT and NRU (Physiotherapy, psychology, Speech and language therapy, nursing staff)</li><li>• Neuro science ward</li><li>• CCU</li><li>• Community neuro team</li></ul>
<b>Hours of work:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 8.30-4.30pm Monday to Friday</li></ul>
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