



# Clinical Placement Summary

<b>Placement Area:</b>	Neurosciences
<b>Placement Address:</b>	Core Therapies Department
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<b>Type of Placement:</b>	Acute Inpatient
<b>Details of type of clients being dealt with:</b>	<p>Adults following neurosurgery or with neurological conditions.</p> <p>Traumatic Brain injury including diffuse axonal injury, sub arachnoid haemorrhage, subdural haematoma. Aneurysm, AVM Neuro oncology with both intrinsic and metastatic lesions. Pts following spinal surgery.</p> <p>Neurological conditions –MND, MS Parkinson’s disease, normal pressure hydrocephalus Guillian-Barre Syndrome, transverse myelitis</p>
<b>Typical skills you will gain:</b>	<p>Basic Moving and handling. Clinical reasoning.</p> <p>Reflective practice.</p> <p>Assessment skills (standardised and non-standardised).</p> <p>Functional observations.</p> <p>Team work.</p> <p>Caseload management.</p> <p>Multi-disciplinary team (MDT) working</p>

<p><b>The type of experience which may be gained from this placement:</b></p>	<p>Experience being part of an integrated therapy team</p> <p>Working as part of a busy MDT</p> <p>Acute and hyper-acute assessment of patients including; function, mobility, transfers, cognition, mood, seating and posture</p> <p>Discharge planning</p> <p>Referring on to relevant hospital specialist teams</p> <p>Onward referrals to community rehabilitation services</p> <p>Holistic OT approach</p> <p>Internal training opportunities and visiting relevant services within the wider hospital and community</p> <p>Learn skills of time management and prioritisation, to be flexible</p> <p>Communication skills</p>
<p><b>Special Knowledge and information which would be useful to the student:</b></p>	<p>Anatomy of the Brain</p> <p>Understanding of basic cognitive processes i.e. attention, memory, language, visuospatial and executive function.</p> <p>Basic understanding of Neurological conditions i.e. MS, MND, GBS, PD</p>
<p><b>Recommended Reading:</b></p>	<p>Neuropsychology for occupational therapists: cognition in occupational performance. 3rd ed. June Grieve (2008)</p> <p>Headway Website</p> <p>Macmillan Website</p> <p>Brain and Spine Foundation Website</p> <p>MS society, PD society MND society websites</p> <p>General revision of your university modules as are relevant</p> <p>COT code of practice</p>

<b>Visits/shadowing which can be arranged:</b>	Neuro Rehabilitation Unit Critical care Unit Orthotics Physiotherapy SALT
<b>Hours of work:</b>	08.30 – 16.30 Mon to Fri
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