

Clinical Placement – Integrated Therapy Oncology and Palliative Care

Placement Name:	Integrated Therapy Oncology and Palliative Care Team
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Type of Placement:	Acute Inpatient Oncology and Palliative Care
Details of type of clients being dealt with:	Range of Adult 18+ Oncology and Palliative Care Patients
The type of experience which may be gained from this placement:	<p>Awareness of a variety of cancer pathologies</p> <p>Acute assessment skills</p> <p>Functional mobility, moving and handling, respiratory care, neurological assessment and rehabilitation skills. (PT)</p> <p>Caseload management</p> <p>Developing clinical reasoning to produce discharge management plans</p> <p>Discharge planning process</p> <p>Communication with patients and their families</p> <p>Liaison with MDT agencies</p>

Recommended reading:

Text related to

- Policies impacting on NHS
- Lancashire Teaching Hospital Trust online profile
- Cognitive and executive functions
- Self directed learning for personal, professional development
- Clinical reasoning skills.
- Physiotherapy assessment and treatments for respiratory and neurological patients
- Brennan J (2004) Cancer in Context, A Practical Guide to Supportive Care. Oxford, Oxford University Press
- Cooper J (1997) Occupational Therapy in Oncology and Palliative Care. London, Whurr Publishers, Ltd (there is a later edition 2006)
- Rankin J et al (2008) Rehabilitation in Cancer Care. Chichester, Wiley-Blackwell
- Souhami R & Tobias J (1998) Cancer and its management 3rd Ed. Oxford, Blackwell Science
- Site specific NICE guidance
- Macmillan.org.uk – basic cancer information
- Cancer.research.uk – cancer information

Clinical Skills List:

- Basic moving and handling
- Physiotherapy assessment and treatment skills in respiratory, neurology and mobility conditions
- Basic clinical observations
- Clinical reasoning
- Reflective practice
- Assessment skills (standardised and non-standardised)
- Functional observations
- Activity analysis
- Team work
- Caseload management
- Multi-disciplinary team (MDT) working
- Effective communication
- Documentation
- Formulation of treatment plans and goal setting

Learning Opportunities Available:

- Experience in applying the OT/PT process
- Discharge planning including equipment prescription, awareness of wider community resources
- Exposure to the hyper acute hospital environment

Visits which can be arranged:

We are based within a large acute hospital foundation trust, with a variety of regional specialist services. We are also supported by a variety of specialist community services. Opportunity exists for visits as relevant.

Work Hours: Monday to Friday between core hours of 8.00am – 5.00pm. To include study time

Opportunities also exist for Health Promotion and Patient Education.

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