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We offer you a high quality learning experience in our friendly and flexible VTS

Bedford GP Vocational Training Scheme

The rotation starts with two years in hospital followed by one year in general practice. Nine posts are allocated to the scheme commencing in February or August, as follows:

Accident and Emergency (2 posts)
Care of the Elderly (1 post)
ENT (1 post)
Obstetrics and Gynaecology (2 posts)
Paediatrics (2 posts)
Psychiatry (1 post)

There is time to study for, and eligibility to sit, the MRCGP, DCH, DGM and DRCOG and an opportunity to receive training for the DFFP.

Self Construct GP Registrars

The scheme accepts doctors constructing their own schemes. Placements are usually with the same GP trainer for a period of twelve months full time or the equivalent part-time

Assessment Methods

Consultants carry out assessments of SHO performance during each post and SHOs in turn assess the post. Similarly, formative assessment occurs during the general practice year.

Facilities

There are a range of training practices in Bedford and the surrounding villages. They all offer excellent training facilities with enthusiastic trainers. Bedford is a pleasant county town set in attractive countryside. In the hospital there is access to an active postgraduate centre, a library and information service, IT department and audit unit. In the town there are excellent schools and sports facilities, and the multicultural makeup of the population means that there are a fine variety of restaurants and clubs. London is within easy reach by fast train, and for wider horizons, Luton International Airport is nearby.

District GP Registrar Representative's Comments

"The rotation comprises high quality posts with relevant experience in a friendly setting. There is a good spirit of camaraderie among the registrars, and we work well together. The consultants, trainers and course organisers are very supportive".

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