

Placement Information

Placement Provider	Adult acute (inpatient)
Placement Provider Trust	ELHT
Placement Provider Location	Royal Blackburn Hospital
Placement Provider Website (if available)	https://elht.nhs.uk/services/speech-and-language-therapy
Practice Area	Adult acute – general medical and surgical wards with primarily a dysphagia caseload. Your placement may include work on the critical care unit.
Student Co-ordinators / Practice Educator/s	<p>Student Co-ordinators: Olivia Kenyon (olivia.kenyon@elht.nhs.uk) Amy Hilton (amy.hilton@elht.nhs.uk)</p> <p>Practice Educators: Nicola Fleming Amy Hilton Georgina Dent Jan Hulse Rachael Adamson</p>
Main Contact Number	01254 734492
Required Skills and Pre-Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness of assessment and management of dysphagia (lecture notes or introductory texts) • Definitions and awareness of aphasia, dysarthria and dysphagia • Any informal assessments for dysphagia, motor speech disorders, aphasia. • Working with Dysphagia, Marks L and Rainbow, D (2001). • Evaluation and Treatment of Swallowing Disorders, Logemann J. A. (1998). • Review the RCSLT Dysphagia Competency Framework / Pre-registration EDS Competency Framework • ELHT speech therapy website https://elht.nhs.uk/services/speech-and-language-therapy • ELHT Dementia website http://www.eastlancsdementia.org/ • Frenchay Aphasia Screening test (FAST) <p><u>Critical Care resources – only read if specifically requested:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCSLT Critical Care overview and guidance: https://www.rcslt.org/members/clinical-guidance/critical-care/ • https://www.tracheostomy.org.uk/ - see videos in 'elearning' • https://healthmanagement.org/c/icu/issuearticle/the-role-of-speech-and-language-therapy-in-critical-care

Maximum Number of Students	2
Specific Uniform Requirements	<p>Students are required to dress appropriately whilst on placement and wear an identity badge at all times with name and photograph visible. This can be your student ID card. No lanyards – ID badges must be clipped to your uniform. Please note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clothing that is clean and neat. ELHT operate “bare below the elbow”. If you have a uniform for placements from university, this is acceptable. • No jeans/tracksuits/casual wear. • Long hair is tied back and away from the face and secured with modest bands and clips so that it does not interfere with the performance of duties. • Closed toe, flat, dark shoes must be worn in clinical areas at all times. • Religious or cultural headwear which must be fully tucked in around the collar bone and not dangling • One plain metal wedding ring only/small plain earrings/no wrist watches • No nail varnish or acrylic nails <p>(Taken from the ELHT Uniform/Dress Code Policy)</p>
Changing/Locker Facilities	Changing facilities. Lockers available but limited. There is a lockable SLT office for safe storage of bags/valuables.
Additional Occupational Health Screening Needed?	No
Accommodation / Parking / Public Transport	Please see the AHP welcome pack in your welcome email for details on each of these things.
Normal Working Hours / Lunch	0830 to 1600 with 30 minute lunch break These can be negotiable around students' travelling time/distance
Local Shops	M&S and Costa within the hospital in addition to the hospital restaurant.
Nearest Cashpoint	Within M&S in the hospital

On Arrival

Place to Report on 1 st Day	Inpatient SLT department, Acute Therapy dept, Level 1, Royal Blackburn Hospital, BB2 3HH (follow signs for occupational/physiotherapy)
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Time to Report on 1 st Day	09.00am
PEF Contact	Samantha Heap (Samantha.heap@elht.nhs.uk)

Sickness

Person to Report Sickness to	Named practice educator
By Time	08.30
Will Practice Educators inform University of absence if tutor visit is scheduled?	yes
HEI Academic Contact	UoM - Caroline Spivey MMU – Diane Richardson UCLAN – Alison McGrath

Facilities and Resources

Staff Room Facilities	Shared room for breaks
Canteen Facilities	Canteen on site Also access to microwave, fridge, kettle etc on site
Additional Student Support on Placement	No
Learning Facilities on Placement	Yes. Library in main hospital and resource room on site Computers in all offices and in resource room Library produced resources
Details of Time for Student Access to Learning Resources	Full access to SLT resources in treatment rooms Library access throughout placement as necessary

Learning Opportunities on Placement	<p>Your placement is with the adult acute SLT team – this means you will be seeing patients in the hospital setting across various wards (mainly medical and surgical, with some potential exposure to critical care). The primary caseload is assessment and management of dysphagia, but there may also be some opportunities to see communication patients. Learning opportunities may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inpatient assessment - Devising management plans - Working with and liaising with the MDT. There may also be some opportunities for MDT shadowing - Discharge planning - Family support and education - Work towards basic dysphagia competencies
Learning Outcomes Expected from Placement	Negotiated with students at beginning of placements with mid placement review

Contact Details

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