

Placement Information	
Placement Provider	Royal Blackburn Teaching Hospital – Upper Limb/Hand Therapy
Placement Provider Trust	East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust
Placement Provider Location	Royal Blackburn Teaching Hospital, Haslingden Road, Blackburn, BB2 3HH
Placement Provider Website (if available)	<a href="http://www.elht.nhs.uk">www.elht.nhs.uk</a>
Practice Area	Upper Limb/Hand Therapy Team
Practice Educator/s	Nicola Hook Allen Matthews Miriam Parkinson
Main Contact Number	01254 734119
Required Skills and Pre-Reading	Anatomy of soft tissues and anatomy of hand and forearm bones Healing times TV anatomy Principles of splinting
Maximum Number of Students	1 at a time
Specific Uniform Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University Uniform must be worn</li> <li>• Closed toe shoes must be worn in clinical areas at all times</li> <li>• Shoe colour to match uniform black or navy blue</li> <li>• Long hair is tied back and away from the face and secured with modest bands</li> <li>• Tasteful make-up that is complimentary to natural features</li> <li>• clean and trimmed nails</li> <li>• We maintain a bare 'below the elbow' policy in all clinical areas.</li> </ul>
Changing/Locker Facilities	Lockers are available in the main therapy department, and are locked with a £1 coin or a trolley token

Additional Occupational Health Screening Needed?	No
Accommodation Information	Accommodation officer ELHT Bernadette Blackburn 01254 732591
Normal Working Hours / Lunch	Usual working hours between 0830 – 1630.
Parking	Parking is available on a pay-and-display basis or via short term permit. Permits can be arranged and paid for at the Learning and Development Centre at Royal Blackburn Hospital.
Public Transport	The Hospital has a bus stop at the main entrance. There is also a free shuttle bus service between the Blackburn and Burnley sites <a href="https://elht.nhs.uk/services/shuttle-bus">https://elht.nhs.uk/services/shuttle-bus</a> .
Local Shops	There is a small M&S food outlet ,a WHSmiths and a Costa coffee in the Royal Blackburn Hospital Entrance. There is also a canteen located on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> floor at Royal Blackburn hospital.
Nearest Cashpoint	There is a cash machine located within the M&S food outlet near the main entrance of Royal Blackburn Teaching Hospital.

**On Arrival**

Place to Report on 1 <sup>st</sup> Day	Royal Blackburn Teaching Hospital, Level One, Occupational Therapy Department Reception. Ask for your educator.
Time to Report on 1 <sup>st</sup> Day	8.30am
PEF Contact	pefahphcs@elht.nhs.uk

**Sickness**

Person to Report Sickness to	Any member of the team by calling the office on 01254 734119.
By Time	8.30am
Will Practice Educators inform University of absence if tutor visit is scheduled?	No, this is the responsibility of the student.
HEI Academic Contact	

**Facilities and Resources**

Staff Room Facilities	Staff room available with fridge, microwave and kettle.
Canteen Facilities	Hospital canteen, WHSmith, M&S outlet and Costa coffee shop within hospital.
Additional Student Support on Placement	Whilst on placement you will have access to a 'Student Buddy' for support.
Learning Facilities on Placement	Access to library. Computers in work area
Details of Time for Student Access to Learning Resources	<p>In Service Training.          Access to library.          Several computers in each work area.</p> <p>NHS Library Details          Learning Centre Library (Royal Blackburn Hospital)          01245 734 312          Opening Hours          Mon – Thur 08.30 – 16.30          Friday 08.30 – 16.00          Email <a href="mailto:library.blackburn@elht.nhs.uk">library.blackburn@elht.nhs.uk</a></p> <p>Intranet site – (Can only be accessed within the Trust)</p>

Learning Opportunities on Placement	<p>Involvement with MDT and several 'spoke opportunities are available. You can discuss this locally with educator.</p> <p>Trauma/acute hand therapy, outpatients, neuro splinting, elective surgery, splinting, groupwork, activity modifications aids and adaptations, functional activity analysis.</p>
Strengths of placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shared supervisor responsibility</li> <li>• Evidence based practice</li> <li>• Combining biomechanical and functional approach</li> <li>• Use of outcomes</li> <li>• Opportunity to develop splinting/practical fabrication skills</li> <li>• Fracture bracing</li> </ul>
Limitations of placement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fast paced</li> <li>• Reactive to clinic capacity</li> <li>• Suited to either observational or longer placements</li> </ul>
Learning Outcomes Expected from Placement	<p>Outcomes based on the University objectives will be agreed with between the student and educator on arrival. These will be reviewed throughout the placement.</p>

Contact Details

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