

WORCESTERSHIRE ACUTE HOSPITALS NHS TRUST
DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS
ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL, REDDITCH

The Alexandra Hospital opened in 1986 on the borders of Worcestershire and Warwickshire, providing 360 day and acute care beds and serving a population of approximately 200,000. There is a children ward with 18 beds, including 1 HDU bed, a dedicated children's out-patient clinic and a level 1 neonatal unit. The obstetric unit delivers 2200 babies per annum. There are 2600 emergency paediatric admissions and 3000 children (new and follow up) are seen in paediatric clinics. The A & E Department has over 10000 child attendances (26% of total) each year. The NLS and EPLS courses are run within the acute trust. However, we do not have APLS/NLS Simulation Unit facility in our hospital as yet.

STAFFING

Consultants

Dr Kamal Nathavitharana General Paediatrician with interest in Gastroenterology & Food Allergy, Clinical Tutor and Sub-Dean

Dr Naeem Ahmad General Paediatrician with interest in diabetes/RCPCH Tutor

Dr Munir Ahmed General Paediatrician with interest in Nephrology

Dr Taruna Bindal General Paediatrician with interest in Medical Education

Dr Clare Onyon General Paediatrician with interest in Respiratory Paediatrics

Dr Tom Dawson General Paediatrician with interest in Allergy and Infection

Locum consultant paediatrician post Vacant-Interview later this week.

Middle Grades

2 Speciality Doctors Hospital based - On-calls at Alexandra Hospital

2 ST3 Posts Half Hospital & half Community- On calls at Alexandra Hospital

2 Clinical Fellows Hospital based - On-calls at Alexandra Hospital

Tier 1 trainees

3 FY2

5 GPStR

1 FY1

Specialist Nurses

Diabetes, respiratory and epilepsy specialist nurses available for patient support. We have community paediatric nursing cover provided by Orchard Service as well as community neonatal outreach nursing service in the area

Teaching

Monday 1300-1400 Consultant lead teaching (tutorial/journal club/scenarios)

Tuesday 1230-1330 Joint Paediatric radiology meeting (first Tuesday of month)

Wednesday 1200-1300 Presentations by juniors/consultant/outside speakers

Friday 1300-1400 Hospital grandround

Trainees are provided one to one tutoring by consultants for the preparation of their membership examination

Working week

The consultants work on a hybrid rota-resident and non-resident on calls, supplementing middle grade rota.

Six of us participate in the consultant of the week system providing 9-5 cover during weekdays.

There is consultant lead handover twice daily during weekdays and in the morning on weekends and bank holidays.

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