Year 3 GP Attachment 22-23 FAQs

 What are the start and finish dates of placement? How many weeks is it for? The placement is scheduled to start from 14 September 2022 and run for 12 weeks (excluding University holidays), finishing 24 May 2023. Semester 1- 14 Sept to 7 Dec 2022, Semester 2 - 8 Feb – 24 May 2023.

2. How many students at any one time in the practice?

For each session, two students will sit in on normal surgery with a GP Tutor. Two will be engaged in either visiting patients or reviewing notes, making a maximum of four students physically present. The remaining two students will be engaged in developing peer-led learning. In the second half of the morning, students will come together but this may be undertaken online.

- Does it have to be on a Wednesday morning?
 Preferably but there is some flexibility with timing. Please speak to us.
- 4. What time are students expected to arrive and leave? A half-day session runs 9am-1pm, or 2-5.30pm
- Do the students need to have patients allocated to them?
 GP Tutors to identify 3 patients for in depth case-based discussion (one patient per student pair)
- 6. Do the students need a separate room in the practice? No. We ask students to allow space for students to sit in with GPs, and to have access to a practice computer for reviewing notes.
- 7. What are the workplace assessments? How can I do these? These are formative and have been developed from RCGP assessments to help show progression across a number of years. Full training will be offered.
- 8. Can the work be shared across several GPs in the practice?Yes. We also encourage students to talk to other members of the practice team.
- 9. How much formal teaching is required, and what will the teaching resources look like? Tutors will mainly be drawing from their own experience to illustrate how healthcare works in the community. Tutors will also facilitate peer-learning, including a pre-set Case-Based Learning Case each semester (resources will be provided by QUB to students and Tutors with full training and support provided by QUB, with an onus on students to do their own related research / study ahead of sessions.
- 10. How much preparation will I need to do in advance?

We ask that one member of staff attends training (for example, at our yearly Tutors' Meeting. GP tutors may also want to identify patients for case-based discussion in advance. The placement has been developed to allow the normal work of general practice to continue as far as possible.

11. How will it differ from taking year 4 or 5 students?

Year 3 students have not yet had significant GP experience and are at an early stage of training. The emphasis is on understanding general practice and understanding care interfaces.

Please do give us a shout if you have any other questions!

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