



Manchester Foundation Trust



Visiting Professional Programs

About Us

In October 2017, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (MFT) brought together the University Hospital of South Manchester NHS Foundation Trust (UHSM) and Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (CMFT) into a new, city-wide Foundation Trust.

Together, our diverse group of nine hospitals and community services has the potential to be a leading internationally competitive health and research organisation. With a turnover of £1.6bn we've become the largest NHS Trust in England.

As we've come together, our focus has remained on keeping services running safely and smoothly and strengthening leadership across our hospitals and community organisations. One of the benefits of this is the close-knit collaboration we're seeing between some of healthcare's brightest talents. Many teams have been sharing their strengths and looking at how we can transform services for the benefit of patients and staff, with several improvements and leading initiatives already in place.

We're proud to be working towards the harmonisation of health services, with the ultimate goal of creating one hospital for Manchester, and we're excited about the opportunities this gives to our people. Join MFT and help us continue to improve the life chances and wellness of the diverse communities across our great city and surrounding areas.

This animation gives an overview of the great work we've achieved together as a new Trust in our very first year, and we hope it will inspire you to apply for a fantastic future career with us.

As a Single Hospital Service uniting multiple hospitals and a provider of community services to the people of Manchester and Trafford, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust is building an organisation that's fit for the future.

Our Future

We're changing the way we deliver care in order to address health inequalities in our region. We'll continue to grow research, education and investment into our region, and attract highly skilled staff. We'll be able to take a more sustainable approach to tackle the rising demand on services, staff shortages and significant money pressures. And we'll be able to provide much better, safer, more consistent care for patients from across the City of Manchester, Trafford and Greater Manchester.

To achieve all of this, Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust will soon grow again, to include North Manchester General Hospital (currently part of The Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS Trust).

This is an exciting and challenging period in the delivery of health and social care in Greater Manchester, and one that provides a wealth of opportunity for all. Together we can make a real difference to the health outcomes, wellness and quality of life of our diverse communities. To do this we need outstanding people to come and deliver our services directly to our patients, and to provide invaluable support services behind the scenes.

Join us and you'll be part of a diverse team of individuals delivering vital services to the benefit of our local community. You'll thrive in our open, inclusive and collaborative environment where everyone matters, and is treated with the dignity, care and respect they

deserve. With a comprehensive support network and ongoing development opportunities, you'll have everything you need to be your best.

What we offer

Manchester Foundation NHS Trust (MFT) prides itself in its clinical services, and its large research portfolios. As part of the education portfolio, MFT is pleased to offer Visiting Professional Programs (VVP's) for clinicians.

Our Visiting Professional Program (VPPs) have been created for clinicians who wish to gain an appreciation of the nature of clinical practice in the UK, and observe the role of doctors and other health care professionals within the NHS. The program is also an excellent way to obtain a reference from a UK consultant. Please see General Medical Council at <https://www.gmc-uk.org/>

The programs offer a range of experience and can be tailored depending on the experience and qualifications of the clinicians involved. Programs range from four to twelve weeks.

To be eligible to apply, applicants must meet the following minimum criteria:

- Must have qualified overseas
- Must be a qualified doctor
- Must have passed PLAB Part I
- Must be preparing for/have passed PLAB Part 2
- Must be competent in English (IELTS score of 7.5 or above)

By the end of the attachment, it is anticipated that the applicant will have acquired some of the following clinical skills:

- History taking skills and examination
- Presentation of cases
- Good prescribing practice
- Infection control
- Phlebotomy and interpretation of blood results
- Interpretation of ECGs
- Interpretation of X-rays
- Investigations
- Differential diagnosis
- Treatment decisions
- Doctor/patient partnership
- Consent

The acquisition of interpersonal skills is an integral part of the attachment. By the end of the attachment applicants should have learned some of the following:

- How to work as part of a multidisciplinary team
- How to break bad news and deal with "challenging" patients
- How to work in a multicultural environment
- How to manage patient expectations
- Professionalism in the NHS

A unique focus of our Visiting Professional Program is an opportunity for Visiting Professionals (VP's) to be totally integrated within the clinical department. Placements will be delivered in the workplace with doctors receiving one to one supervision and direction whilst based in the clinic or ward environment to ensure all learning and development needs and expectations are met.

VPP's are excellent opportunities to foster two way learning and can support lifelong professional associations.

Our Programs

VPP's are offered in a range of specialties across Manchester Foundation Trust.

The following departments:

Acute Medicine
Allergy
Anaesthetics
Cardiology
Diabetes
Endocrinology
Ear, Nose and Throat
Gastro
General Medicine
Geriatric Medicine
General Surgery
Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Oral Medicine
Paediatrics
Respiratory Medicine
Rheumatology
Stoke Medicine
Urology
Vascular Surgery

The cost of the program is **£400**. On site single accommodation may be available at an extra charge.

To apply for a program please email Visiting.Professionals@mft.nhs.uk including the following information:

- Your first 3 choices of specialty (ranked for preference)
- an up to date copy of your CV
- a copy of your degree certificate