



West Suffolk Hospital is a large district general hospital in Bury St Edmunds and is part of the West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust.

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Pre-registration Pharmacy Training Opportunities

We offer 2 placements

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We provide both acute and community healthcare services to a rural population of around 280,000. Our vision is simply to deliver the best quality and safest care to our community and this is reflected in our consistently high results and outcomes.

Core values

We are proud of our core values **FIRST** which stands for **Focused on patients, Integrated, Respectful, Staff focused and Two-way communication.**

The Pharmacy department

Our team is made up of around 100 staff and is committed to providing a round-the-clock service for our patients, who are at the centre of everything we do. We work closely with a vast cross-section of teams and disciplines from across the Trust.

You will be part of a centralised modern department, including a chemotherapy production unit and a robotic dispensary. We also have a fully implemented electronic prescribing system. Our team provide established ward-based clinical services.

There are excellent career progression opportunities available and an active training and education team.



Work Experience

- Are vacation placements offered? **Yes**
- How many placements? **10**
- Length of each placement: **One to two days**
- Dates: **Easter and Summer holidays**
- Restrictions as to who can apply: **Third year pharmacy undergraduates**

Pre-registration training programme

We currently offer 2 pre-registration training placements well supported by experienced pre-registration tutors.

As one of our trainee pharmacists, you will be a highly valued member of a dynamic forward-thinking pharmacy team. You will follow a comprehensive training plan that may be tailored to reflect your learning needs and areas of clinical interest.

Rotations

You will undertake core clinical and dispensary rotations and also work in other areas, including medicines information and the aseptic unit.

During your rotations, you will work alongside experienced clinical staff in patient-facing settings from the outset of your training.

You will also complete a 2-week cross-sector placement in community pharmacy.

Learning support

You will meet with your personal tutor on a weekly basis; they will monitor your progress, as well as support you and your learning needs.

You will also participate in the UEA preregistration pharmacist training programme, to interact with other trainee pharmacists in the East of England and enhance your learning.



What our trainees say...

“ I wanted to say thank you for all the support, kindness and care shown to me throughout my time here. This has been the most supportive and friendly working environment I have ever worked in.

All the ward pharmacists gave their time and wanted to help. They were an inspiration for what I could achieve.

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For more information about pre-registration training at our hospital, visit:
www.preregpharmacists.org

Our trainees participate in the UEA Training Programme

The programme is provided to 75 hospital trainees undertaking their placements in the East of England.

The curriculum is based on four core interlinked themes which cover all aspects of the GPhC assessment framework.

Clinical Skills Development

Becoming a Pharmacy Professional

Developing Skills through Assessment

Patient Care in the Community



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Trainees attend a series of residential study blocks which provide group-based interactive learning facilitated by expert practitioners. The focus is on application of knowledge and skills in practice. Learning is supported by a virtual learning environment on UEA Blackboard.

“ The UEA training programme was amazing! Awesome preparation and help for the GPhC exam and great opportunities for socialising and networking with other trainees and specialist pharmacists. The Programme Delivery Team were very supportive throughout. ”

Successes

Our trainees achieve excellent pass rates in the GPhC assessment and over 75% secure permanent Band 6 pharmacist posts in the NHS.



East of England

Training Programme



For more information visit: preregpharmacists.org/uea-study-programme