

**JOB TITLE:** ST 4-6 Run Through Trainee in Old Age Psychiatry.

**DIRECTORATE:** Older Persons Mental Health Services

**REPORTS TO:** **Dr. Tony Coates**

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** **Clinical Director and Executive Director, Older Persons Mental Health.**

**PAY BAND:**

**LOCATION:** **Harold Kidd Unit, Chichester**

**HOURS OF WORK:** **Full-Time**

**ON CALL RESPONSIBILITY:** Yes

**DISCLOSURE REQUIRED:** Yes

**MAIN DUTIES:**

	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>A M</b>	Dementia Crisis Team.	Community Visits	Community Visits/ Admin.	Living Well With Dementia team meeting and Supervision with Dr Coates.	Special interest/ Research Day.
<b>P M</b>	Out-patient clinic in Chichester.	Grove Ward Multidisciplinary Review.	Local post-graduate teaching programme in Chichester	Grove Ward Multidisciplinary Review.	

**JOB OUTLINE:** This post is working within the Dementia service and has both community and inpatient experience available.

Community experience is provided within the Living Well with Dementia Team, which is based in Chichester. There is a very well established team of experienced community psychiatric nurses and community support workers managed by Team Leader Matthew Crosby.

This team receive referrals from local General Practitioners via the triage system operated from the Chapel Street Clinic in Chichester, West Sussex. Patients may be seen in outpatient clinics, in their own homes and in care homes.

Community experienced is also provided within the Western Sussex Dementia Crisis Team, based at the Harold Kidd Unit and managed by Team Leader Susan Thurston. This team consists of experienced psychiatric nurses, social workers and administrative staff. Patients are usually seen by this team for short periods of intensive support for up to six weeks. The emphasis where possible is on supporting the person in their own environment whether this is in their own home in a care home setting. This team helps to reduce the need for admission to hospital for people with dementia who may be experiencing a period of crisis.

Inpatient experience is provided within the Harold Kidd Unit, Chichester on Grove Ward. This is the dementia assessment ward with 10 beds for the Chichester area. There is input to the inpatient by our clinical psychologist. The ward admits patients of any age for assessment of their dementia. The ward can take patients who are presenting with challenging behaviour who may have been originally admitted to other dementia assessment wards in the Trust.

## **Objectives and Opportunities of the Placement.**

This will include learning comprehensive and detailed assessment methods of the evaluation of cognitive disorders and dementia.

It is possible for the post holder to tailor their role to some extent to be able to spend a greater part of their time with the Living Well With Dementia Team , the Dementia Crisis Team of the Inpatient Assessment Ward as may be appropriate in keeping with their previous experience.

An objective will be to work jointly with all other disciplines in the team and also to develop the ability to complete assessments and develop treatment plans on an individual basis.

Participation in the teaching and supervision of both the foundation (F2) trainee and any attached medical students is required.

The development of skills in dealing with issues relating to the Mental Capacity Act, the Mental Health Act will be supported.

Participation in audit is an important component of this post.

Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust is very fortunate in having the recent appointment of Professor Sube Banerjee as professor of dementia/ associate dean at Brighton and Sussex Medical School.

Dr Coates is a Module Leader for the M.Sc in dementia at Brighton. There are excellent educational opportunities as well as a growing research base with the recent establishment of the Centre for Dementia Studies.

There is an excellent local teaching programme in psychiatry here in Chichester run by Clinical Tutor Dr Al Amaladoss. The post holder would be expected to take an active part in this programme. Final year medical students from both Southampton University and Brighton and Sussex Medical School undertake placements locally, and there are plenty of opportunities to acquire and develop teaching skills.