



University of Brighton

Paramedic Placements

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Mental health placement

Duration: 1 week - 3 days/week

(Approx. 8-12hr days)

Students will be:

1st year

Clinical sign-offs

Placement supervisors have no obligation to sign our student's PAD competencies.

However, a summative sign off can be provided by a registered clinician with a mentorship/supervisor qualification if students are seen by a supervisor to have met/performed a competency in a safe and effective manner

Students have been advised to:

- Contact you a minimum of 3 weeks prior to their allocated week/s to arrange their shifts
- Arrive promptly, with a clean uniform and professional attitude

Their learning objectives

LO1: Observe and/or discuss a mental capacity assessment as per the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

LO2: Observe and/or discuss the safeguarding of adults with mental health presentations.

LO3: Gain an understanding of the Mental Health Team and the roles within the multidisciplinary team

LO4: Gain an understanding of what resources may be available to support someone with mental health needs in the pre-hospital environment and identify how the paramedic can contribute in the care of patients presenting with mental health emergencies.

LO5: Gain an understanding of the stigma that people with mental health diagnoses needs may face.

Contact Details

Placement Lead

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Placement Admin Support

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1st year students skill set should include:

Base line observations.

Assist a clinician in IV cannulation - **MUST NOT CANNULATE BLS** - NO supraglottic airway devices.

Drug preparation

Students may draw-up paramedic drugs but **MUST NOT** administer those outside of the student paramedic scope even under the direct supervision of a Mentor.

Student **MUST NOT** draw-up or administer controlled drugs such as Morphine.