

## PRACTICE PROFILE

Area	Location	Contact Number
<b>Pre-Assessment and Admissions Unit</b>	St. Mary's Hospital, Newport, IOW	01983 822099 ext 2210
Directorate	Surgery, Women's and Children's Health Clinical Business Unit	Review of Profile due February 2024
Professional Lead	Leisa Gardiner (Lead Nurse)	Department Manager Leisa Gardiner (Lead Nurse)
Education Lead	TBC	
Education Lead Contact Details	Ext 4477	
HEI Representative	Gemma Cherry, Open University	
HEI's using this Learning Environment	Open University, University of Portsmouth	
Learning Environment Mission Statement	To provide a safe and reassuring transition to pre-operative care for our patients. We will treat everyone with respect and dignity as if they were a member of our family.	

### LEARNING ENVIRONMENT PROFILE

General Information	Pre-Assessment and Admissions Unit carries out a pre-operative assessment prior to admitted treatment.
Description of Service and Client Group	Its purpose is to assess the patient's fitness for surgery and anaesthetic, to ensure that they are fully informed about the procedure and the post-operative recovery, and to discuss arrangements for admission, discharge and post-operative care at home
Description of related services & Client group	The Pre-operative assessment unit will carry out a number of simple investigations which will include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Discussing general health and recording medical/ surgical history</li> <li>•Taking blood pressure, pulse and oxygen levels, measuring height and weight and working out BMI (Body Mass Index)</li> </ul>

### LEARNER INFORMATION

Work Patterns	8-6 Monday-Friday
Dress Code	Student Uniform in conjunction with IOW NHS Trust Dress Code policy <a href="https://www.iow.nhs.uk/Downloads/Policies/Dress%20Code%20and%20Uniform%20policy%20.pdf">https://www.iow.nhs.uk/Downloads/Policies/Dress%20Code%20and%20Uniform%20policy%20.pdf</a>
Induction/Orientation programme	Student induction carried out by Clinical Education Team. Local induction to be carried out on PAAU
Staff / rest room facilities	There is a small staff kitchen on the unit. Hospital canteen and League of Friends shop on site
Expectations during placement	Learners are expected to engage and be involved with all unit-based activities, depending on their level of experience, training and knowledge. Learners are expected to act professionally at all times, and adhere to professional and organisational standards such as Equality and Diversity. It is expected that the learner raises concerns and good practise to the unit lead.

### LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES

Recommended reading/Websites	<a href="http://intranet.iow.nhs.uk/Home/Corporate/Operations-Division/Operational-Performance/18-week-Referral-To-Treatment-RTT-/Admitted-Pathway-Infpatients/Pre-operative-Assessment-Fitness-for-surgery">http://intranet.iow.nhs.uk/Home/Corporate/Operations-Division/Operational-Performance/18-week-Referral-To-Treatment-RTT-/Admitted-Pathway-Infpatients/Pre-operative-Assessment-Fitness-for-surgery</a>
Common Abbreviations	POA (pre-operative assessment) TCI/DTA (to come in / Decision to admit) THR/TKR –total hip replacement/ total knee replacement  Plus many other that can be explained during placement
Specific learning opportunities	Further investigations may also be carried out, including; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Urine Testing</li> <li>•MRSA Screening</li> <li>•Pregnancy Test</li> <li>•Blood Test</li> <li>•X-Rays</li> <li>•ECG</li> </ul>

All relevant policies and procedures relevant to the learning environment can be accessed via the Intranet

Specific areas of expertise/clinical skills	Anaesthetic clinic Pre-assessment clinic Bookings
Common Assessments / Interventions/Care pathways	Elective in patient pathway and day surgery pathway
Models of practice experience e.g Hub & Spoke, Patient Journeys	Learners are able to gain an overview of the pre-assessment journey and getting the patient fit for surgery, they are able to follow the patient to theatre.

#### **MULTIAGENCY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES / RESOURCES**

Multiprofessional learners accessing the environment	Student nurses; medical students; apprentices
Professionals working in the environment	Multidisciplinary team working e.g. nurses, doctors, pharmacists, HCAs
Opportunities to meet EU directives (Nursing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General adult</li> <li>• Occasional mental health and learning disabilities</li> </ul>