

Streatham Common Group Practice

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Streatham Common Group Practice (SCGP) is located in the borough of Lambeth, 2 5 minutes from London Bridge. It serves a diverse population, including areas of deprivation, with a list size of 11,000 patients. This includes large communities of Portuguese and Polish patients.

There are 3 partners with 5 salaried GPs, 3 nurses and 1 HCA. There is usually one GP trainee (from ST1, 2 or 3) and 2 FY2s. The team also consists of the practice manager, assistant practice manager, 6 receptionists, 2 administrators and an IT manager. Two GPs run diabetes clinics and there is also a baby clinic. You will sit in on these during your induction period.

The weekly timetable consists of 7 clinical sessions, 1 tutorial with your trainer, 1 session for project time and 1 afternoon for GP VTS teaching. Sessions start at 8.30am. One day will be a long day, finishing at 6.30pm, and home visits should be undertaken at lunch on this day. You are given this extra time worked off on lieu another day, so you finish at 2.30pm. Usually you will finish at 4.30pm. You are expected to do repeat prescriptions, review bloods and letters.

There is a daily clinical meeting where the team members can raise and discuss any questions or concerns. There are few home visits, and you will need to be proactive in arranging these. There is an opportunity to accompany a GP and observe, then be supervised on home visits whilst building confidence before going out alone. A car is desirable, but not necessary, as you could walk to visits closer to the surgery.

As a practice, this is an excellent environment for learning. There is a debrief after each session, which is a fantastic educational resource. One GP is assigned to supervise each clinical session, which is a valuable resource for any questions during the session or afterwards. All of the GPs have been supportive and provided constructive feedback.

Dr Emma Proctor is a supportive and engaging tutor, and takes a keen interest in your learning needs, tailoring tutorials and your experience at the surgery to further your development.

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