





Medical School Annual Return - Section D  
Quality of placements

You should use this sheet to highlight concerns and areas of good practice at student placements (education providers). The reporting thresholds in the guidance document would guide you for reporting.

Item number	Item type	Local education provider (if applicable)	Site (if applicable)	ODS/NSS code (if applicable)	Please list the years of students affected	Promoting excellence theme	Description of item	Date item was identified (DD/MM/YY)	How was the item identified?	Previous updates with additional information requested by the GMC (outstanding items ONLY)	What actions have been taken to address the concern or to promote the area of good practice over the past 12 months?	What further actions have been planned to address the concern or to promote the area of good practice in the future?	Deadline for resolution (DD/MM/YY) Concerns and GMC visit items ONLY	Status Concerns ONLY	Person responsible	Engagement with Jananery, HEE local offices or other organisations including healthcare regulators (if any)	Supporting documents (if required)
NEW1214-483	Concern	North Cumbria Universitys Hospital NHS Foundation Trust					Supporting teaching across the Trust because staff shortages and working through 'special measures'	14/01/2014		The annual visit will take place in January 2017 and although the Trust continues to face a number of challenges, the student experience at the Trust is a good one and both 3rd Year and Final Year students are appreciative of the teaching and support they receive. The Trust has moved certain aspects of teaching from one site to another to address student feedback. The University will continue to support staff in the Trust to ensure this improvement is maintained. The MBBS Degree Programme Director has recently taken up post as a non-executive director in the Trust for additional education input and support.	North Cumbria Universitys Hospital NHS Foundation Trust has had major organisational changes in recent years but is now out of special measures and any issues in previous years have been resolved. Quality visits to the Trust in both 2017 and 2018 has demonstrated that student satisfaction with NCUH is excellent for all student placements. The infrastructure is good and the team feel there is good support from the Trust Board when needed.	Concerns resolved	Resolved			Minutes from Quality visits to North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust 2017 and 2018.	
	Concern	County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust			All clinical placements		At a joint OM visit the Trust raised a concern about the Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP). This proposes a major reconfiguration of acute hospital based services. This has the potential to alter the capacity for clinical placements and teaching for medical students and other learners.	01/11/2016	Raised by the Trust DME at the Joint Foundation School and Medical School OM visit.	When will the Sustainable Transformation Plan (STP) come into force? e.g. when will the reconfiguration of acute hospital based services happen and so roughly when do you expect any impact on clinical placements and teaching for medical students? When was the Joint Foundation School and Medical School OM visit? How often do these take place? Please provide an update after the next visit with any repercussions of the STP and any actions that are planned.	There are ongoing regional discussions re STP but for the foreseeable future currently there are no plans for CDDFT to merge with another trust. In the region the priority is North Tees general Hospital merging with James Cook University Hospital on Teeside and South Tyneside General Hospital forging an alliance with Sunderland Hospitals, but changes at present do not involve CDDFT. The Joint Quality Visit with the Foundation school took place on 14/11/17 to CDDFT and there were no concerns with respect to student satisfaction, student placement or educational governance.	Concerns resolved	Resolved			Minutes of Joint Quality Visit with Foundation school To CDDFT 14.11.17.	