Yorkshire PHEM training

Yorkshire advertised its first PHEM training post in 2014 and I was thrilled to be appointed to start in the August of that year. Yorkshire offers a wide range of prehospital training opportunities across a varied landscape; from rural experience with ambulance crews travelling significant distances both to patients and to hospital to urban Rapid Response Vehicles. The Yorkshire Ambulance Service traverse England's largest county to take seriously injured patients to one of three major trauma centres, and working alongside their crews allowed me to experience great prehospital trauma care. Yorkshire Air Ambulance working alongside YAS paramedics to offer two air ambulances providing emergency medical care across Yorkshire; being part of their team delivering immediate care on the top of moors and at the side of motorways was a fantastic learning experience. West Yorkshire Medical Response Team offer a Rapid Response vehicle based service providing immediate care to ill and injured patients with trainees receiving Consultant supervision and regular case review and education.

Unique to the Yorkshire PHEM post is work with Embrace, a Sheffield-based paediatric and neonatal retrieval team which offers great training and experience in the management of the critically unwell child. In addition to the above, there is also the opportunity for experience with Mountain Rescue given Yorkshire's geography.

I greatly enjoyed my time as a Yorkshire PHEM trainee, since I started two further trainees have been appointed and I look forward to the success of the training scheme for many years to come.