

The Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care STG Elective Programme 2026: Elective Information

The Facilitated PHEM Elective

The Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care has arranged with The Welsh Ambulance Service (WAS) and London Ambulance Service (LAS) for successful Medical Student applicants to spend a 4- to 6-week elective placement experiencing different aspects of PHEM delivery.

The following number of places are available within the stated time frames:

Placement	No of students	Available Placement Dates
WAS	2	Flexibility within the calendar year of 2026
LAS	1	Between April to June 2026

If you are allocated to one of three Facilitated PHEM Elective spots that are available in 2026, you may be given the following opportunities during your elective placement:

- Shifts with either the London or Welsh Ambulance Service NHS Trusts in their double crew ambulances and rapid response vehicles
- Observer shifts with local Pre-Hospital responders and care delivery systems
- Time with Advanced Paramedic Practitioners of different types
- Time spent with Hazardous Area Response (HART) Paramedics
- Operational management experience and time in control centres
- Possibility to spend time with Police Firearms units, the Fire Service and other units acting as an expert patient or instructor dependent upon your skillset
- Opportunities to teach and instruct on skills or trauma assessments
- Time spent at the Royal College of Surgeons in Edinburgh with the opportunity to assist with Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care FIMC and DIMC examinations
- There may be opportunities for you to carry out an audit whilst on your elective placement

The Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care is pleased to offer a £250 bursary to successful students. Details on how to access the bursary funds will be noted in the confirmation letter if you are successful in your application.

What will be expected of you:

- To put in the time and effort organising the schedule for your elective once you have been provided with the appropriate contacts
- Many individuals will have put in a large amount of time and effort to ensure your elective placement is possible, so you must be punctual and turn up to EVERY shift that you have organised appropriately kitted out – you will be given help with kit
- To be enthusiastic and interested in the activities that you undertake
- To be well prepared for sessions you may be teaching or instructing
- To write a report to feature on the FPHC website following your elective placement

This elective placement relies upon your predecessor having made a good impression to all to allow the elective placements to continue. Make sure that you do not jeopardise this opportunity for the next student in future years.