

This newsletter has been designed to provide you with regular correspondence and updates from your Specialty Advisory Committee (SAC).

The last Otolaryngology SAC meeting took place at the RCSEng on 31st January 2019.

Summary points

Curriculum changes

The upcoming changes to the curriculum have been discussed in previous meetings and reports; as a brief reminder, these changes are being driven by the Shape of Training report and the GMC's desire for a training pathway that assesses global achievements. The new curriculum will be designed to enable this and define Specialist outcomes at certification. The outline structure will be:

Phase 1: equivalent to C(S)T 1-2

Phase 2: equivalent to ST 3-6

Phase 3: equivalent to ST 7-8

Specialist areas for trainees to choose will be Otology, Rhinology, Paediatrics, Head and Neck, Thyroid (all 2 years) and Laryngology, General ENT (both 1 year each). Other changes to the curriculum will introduce a new assessment: Multiple Consultant Reports (MCR) which will focus on Capabilities in Practice (CiPs) and will form part of the ARCP process.

Credentialing

There is a plan for credentialing to be introduced within the next few years, with further information available in recent ASiT meeting reports. This concept should permit the ability to prove competence in sub specialist area; this will be driven by service need and patient safety, and the exact format is still to be clarified.

Bootcamps

There has been positive feedback on the 2018 Bootcamps.

Dates for 2019:

14-15 Oct (London - Prof Tolley);

7-8 Nov (Oldham - Mr. Samit Ghosh)

There is an expectation that all new ST3 should be able to attend.

Run-through pilot

A run-through training pilot is operating 2018-2021; 14 ST1 trainees started in August 2018, and the decision on whether run-through training will become permanent is due at the end of this pilot (2021).

Academic Report

One national audit counts towards one trainee audit over 6 years. The remaining audits should be local audits. INTEGRATE paper won't count towards publications unless lead author.

Useful contacts and quick links:

[AoMRC Mandatory cost of training document](#)

[JCST - contact us](#)

[JCST - Quality Indicators](#)

[ISCP - Contact us](#)

[JCST/ISCP Youtube channel](#)

[Syllabus](#)

[JCIE - FRCS examination website](#)

Upcoming Dates

Next SAC meeting, RCSEng –
11th June 2019

Next Otolaryngology FRCS exam

<u>Section 1 dates</u>	Deadline
04/07/2019	(18/04/19)
15/01/2020	(03/10/19)

<u>Section 2 dates</u>	Deadline
Belfast 27/11/19	(04/07/19)
Birmingham 22/04/20	(02/01/20)

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