

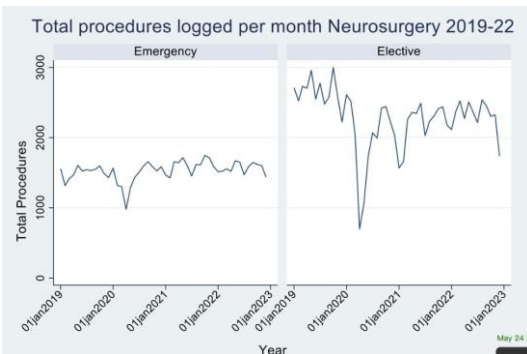
This newsletter has been designed to provide you with regular correspondence and updates from your Specialty Advisory Committee (SAC).

ARCP Outcomes

Neurosurgery continues to have one of the highest proportions of ARCP 1 outcomes of any surgical specialty – around 77%. Well done to everyone and in the current ARCP season please do everything you can to ensure your portfolios are as complete as possible to maintain this. Outcomes 10.1 and 10.2 (brought in to allow for additional time required due to COVID related training issues) will not be routinely used again after this summer.

COVID and operative numbers

The JCST's research team has been monitoring operative numbers in log books across all specialties over the last 3 years to look at the impact of COVID on operative numbers. In Neurosurgery in 2022 emergency numbers had increased back to baseline 2019 levels. Elective numbers for 2022 were still 13% lower than usual but we are the specialty who have seen most recovery in activity. (against an average of 20% reduction across all specialties and 24% for orthopaedics who are still worst affected).



Induction Training Courses 2023s

The ST3 training course for current ST3s is soon to take place in Coventry (26/6/23- 1/7/23). The ST1 training course for new starters in the summer will be hosted in Preston between 21/8/23 and 25/8/23. The ST7 National Neurosurgery Finishing School will run in Bristol from 27/11/23- 1/12/23 - for details contact kathrin.whitehouse@nhs.net. If any run-through trainee experiences difficulty in obtaining study leave or expenses for any of these courses please contact your SAC liaison member or TPD.



Open Meeting of SAC / TPDs/ Trainers and Trainees 2023.

This has been rescheduled from its proposed June date (during current industrial action) to ensure that as many people as possible are free to attend and will take place on Friday 13th October 2023 (1030-1600) via Teams. Topics will include

- Quality assurance and regional reports
 - Developments with E-logbook
 - Mentorship and the national mentoring scheme
 - BNTA 2023 Survey and discussion of results
 - "Question time" – with panellists representing SAC, SBNS, Deaneries and BNTA
- The Teams link will be circulated widely nearer the time

SAC posts

2 liaison member posts have just been advertised on the JCST website

Curriculum

[2021 Curriculum](#)

Quality assurance

[JCIE exam results](#)

[Quality Indicators](#)

[GMC survey](#)

Workforce

[GMC data explorer](#)

Training resources

[Gold Guide](#)

[Ebrain](#)

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National Selection 2023

Shortlisting and selection were both undertaken remotely. We started with 230 applicants and interviewed 70 for 24 posts. The competition ratio was therefore approx 10 applicants for each post.

We appointed 19 ST1 run through trainees and 1 ST2 run through trainee plus 4 ACFs

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