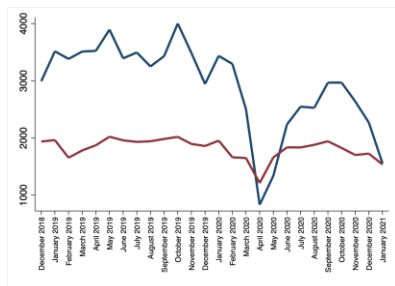


This newsletter has been designed to provide you with regular correspondence and updates from your Specialty Advisory Committee (SAC).

COVID and Training



There has been a 40% reduction in cases in the logbook (June 2019 v June 2020) with elective operating hit harder than acute operating. Redeployment, virtual and low volume clinics, cancelled courses and postponed exams are all impacting on training. It is more critical than ever that we get trainees operating again in the recovery phase of this pandemic.

2021 Curriculum

The new curriculum starts on 4th August. The important things to consider are

1. Changes to ST1 and ST2 rotations
2. Multi-consultant reports (MCR) and quarterly training committee meetings
3. The phase 1 critical progression point
4. Changes to the Assigned Educational Supervisor role

Assigned Educational Supervisors v Clinical Supervisors

Under the new curriculum the Assigned Educational Supervisor will be expected to do the initial educational agreement, contribute to the MCR meetings, provide individual trainee feedback quarterly and write an annual trainee report. Whereas the Clinical Supervisor is not required (but can) write a report for the trainee.

Logbook reports

An unbundling report has been added to the logbook which shows the proportion of a logbook where more than one procedure has been recorded on the same patient on the same day. You can find it after logging in by following training > unbundling. Procedures must not be unbundled unless between procedure parts wounds are closed and the patient is repositioned and redraped. A trainer report generated from the data in trainees logbooks is also now available to training programme directors.

Independent sector training survey

Thank you to the trainees for responding to the survey relating to IS training. We had 54 responses, 48% work in units where NHS patients undergo procedures in the IS, 26% reported having the opportunity to join lists, a few are limited to assisting only. 2/3^{ds} of the work is spinal, 1/3rd cranial. The vast majority felt this was useful training and that they would be keen to have more of these opportunities.

The colleges and JCST have worked with independent hospitals to provide the structure necessary to access these operating lists, any residual difficulties are due to local factors. If you do not have access to training in the independent sector then talk to your TPD, SAC liaison member or Head of the School of Surgery.

One day remote training conference 18th June

The SAC will present the controversial areas of training back to the Neurosurgery community on 18th June 2021. All trainers and trainees will be invited to attend.

Curriculum

[2021 Curriculum](#)

Quality assurance

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Workforce

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Training resources

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eBrain

If you are an associate or full member of the SBNS and do not have a password, contact Alix at admin2@sbns.org.uk.

SBNS members get free access to ebrain.

Currently, there are courses running for ST1-2, ST3-4 and the formative exam is planned for the first week of June.

Also, don't forget to attend the monthly seminars which are free and great for both trainees and trainers.

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