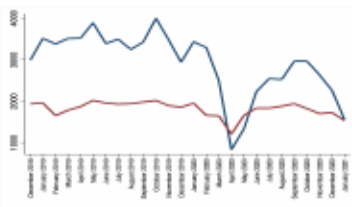


This newsletter has been designed to provide you with regular correspondence and updates from your Specialty Advisory Committee (SAC).

COVID and Training



Training activity has only partially recovered post-COVID. It's a big concern. The graph shows logbook entries from Neurosurgery trainees over the past three years. Red is acute, blue is elective.

2021 Curriculum

The new curriculum has now started for everyone that is not ST8 (special rules for LTFT / OOP). 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

JCIE Exam Entry

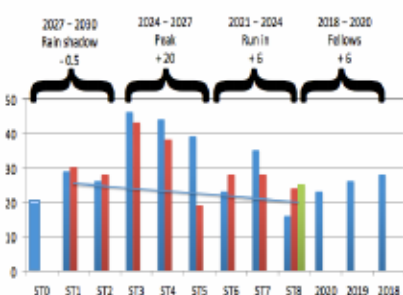
There is a proposed modification to the JCIE exam entry rules. This is still going through the committees and is not fully ratified but we expect trainees will be able to enter the exam if they are within 2 years of their expected CCT date and the most recent ARCP is satisfactory. Most will pass the exam by the end of phase 2 training but it is not a requirement for progression to phase 3. Passing the exam is a requirement for certification.

ST1 Induction Training

The ST1 induction training course ran successfully face to face in Preston between the 6th and 9th September, the ST7 and ST3 courses will be in November and January. The Advanced Nurse Practitioners course, which normally runs in January, has not yet been organised but will hopefully run in the normal way.



Workforce, Advanced Clinical Practitioners, Physician Associates



The number of post-CCT doctors without a consultant job is expected to peak at about 100 in around 2027/28. After that there will be a fall in the number of doctors in post-CCT roles who are available to support registrar rotas. We expect that many ST2 doctors will be pulled on to registrar on calls. Units are therefore encouraged to explore the option of developing Advanced Nurse Practitioner or Physician Associate roles now to offset the workforce hit that is likely to come in 2028.

SAC posts

3 liaison member posts will be advertised shortly on the JCST website

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National Selection

Shortlisting and selection were undertaken remotely. The competition ratio was approximately 16 applicants for each ST1 post (v 2020: 8 and 2019: 6).

We appointed 15 ST1 run through trainees and 1 ST2 run through trainee plus 5 ACFs

Recruitment in 2022 will be remote, we are planning to recruit a total of 24 trainees.

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