

JCST
Quality Indicators Surgical Training – Otolaryngology

Quality Indicator	
1.	Trainees in surgery should be allocated to approved posts commensurate with their level of training and appropriate to the educational opportunities available in that post (particular consideration should be given to the needs of less than fulltime trainees). Due consideration should be given to individual training requirements to minimise competition for educational opportunities.
2.	Trainees in surgery should have at least 2 hours of facilitated formal teaching each week (on average). (For example, locally provided teaching, regional meetings, annual specialty meetings, journal clubs and x-ray meetings).
3.	Trainees in surgery should have the opportunity and study time to complete and present one audit project in every twelve months. (The requirements for audit vary for each surgical specialty. Please refer to the designated specialty for details).
4.	Trainees in surgery should have easy access to educational facilities, including library and IT resources, for personal study, audit and research and their timetables should include an equivalent to half a day per week to allow for this.
5.	Trainees in surgery should be able to access study leave with expenses or funding appropriate to their specialty and level of training.
6.	Trainees in surgery should have the opportunity to complete a minimum of 40 WBAs per year (not including those done in a simulated setting), with an appropriate degree of reflection and feedback, the mix of which will depend upon their specialty and level of training.
7.	Trainees in surgery must be assigned an educational supervisor and should have negotiated a learning agreement within six weeks of commencing each post.
8.	Trainees in surgery should have the opportunity to participate in all operative briefings with use of the WHO checklist or equivalent.
9.	Trainees in surgery should have the opportunity to receive simulation training where it supports curriculum delivery.

Quality Indicators for Surgical Training - Otolaryngology All Trainees

Quality Indicator	
10.	All trainees in Otolaryngology should undertake 3 or more clinics a week, including emergency clinics, at least one of which should be a mainly special interest clinic. Clinics to conform to ENTUK guidelines i.e. 12-14 patients/trainee/clinic, and a mix of new and follow-up patients.
11.	All trainees in Otolaryngology should participate in 4 operating lists per week in ST3-8 and be in a unit with a minimum throughput of 500 operations per trainee per year. The mix of lists and clinics in a timetable may vary from this QI and QI 10 during approved fellowships, e.g. in an H&N fellowship, there may be more operating lists and fewer clinics.
12.	All trainees in Otolaryngology should have the opportunity to manage patients presenting as an emergency at least one day every week, under supervision and appropriate to their level of training, and have appropriate facilities to allow them to assess patients out of normal working hours (i.e. microscope, nasendoscope etc)
13.	All trainees in Otolaryngology should have the opportunity to operate, under supervision, on the range of elective and emergency conditions as defined by the curriculum for ST3/8, including the special interest areas.
14.	All trainees in Otolaryngology should be appropriately supported with regard to emergency admissions. All ENT emergency admissions in the department hosting the trainee should be reviewed as part of a ward round within 24 hours of admission, attended by a consultant.