



Winter Trainee Update

Key Messages

- Submit questions for the exam to practice and enhance the question bank
- NTD and BAPS oncology course dates
- ST3 National Selection will be virtual again for 2022
- **Please complete the ARCP survey!!**

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Exams

The exam has undergone a rigorous review following the disappointment experienced by many in the summer sitting. We have appointed a new exam representative (Lucy Henderson) who will take all comments and trainee experiences directly to the exam board. We had a review with the chair of examiners and SAC at the last national training day and they hopefully shed a bit of light on the exam question selection process.

A key message from Ms McCabe, Ms Cusick and Mr McCarthy is that they need more question writers, so do encourage consultants in your centres to submit anything they are working on and have a go yourselves as a good way to understand the 'higher order thinking' design process.

A reminder of Lucy's contact details for anyone with questions and feedback they would like to be represented..

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Courses

- BAPS/CCLG Paediatric Surgery Oncology Course 2022 | British Association of Paediatric Surgeons . Virtual attendance. 2nd February 2022
- Summer National Training Day. Birmingham 12th July 2022, further details on content to follow

National Selection and Run-through training

National Selection will be run virtually once more due to likely COVID restrictions, this is the same as the previous year with three 10 minute stations conducted by two interviewers on a virtual platform. The self assessment will again be validated and adjusted scores may be appealed. The run-through programme is continuing as a pilot in three centres.