

Advisory Committee on Emergency Medicine Training

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Statement of Intent

Basic Specialist Training Programme in Emergency Medicine

Advisory Committee on Emergency Medicine Training on behalf of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

April 2010

- A structured national rotational programme in Emergency Medicine at basic specialist level will be implemented as of July 2011.
- The national programme will be managed by the Advisory Committee on Emergency Medicine Training (ACEMT), under the auspices of the Irish Surgical Postgraduate Training Committee, the training arm of the RCSI.
- The BST programme will be of three years in duration comprising 12 months general emergency medicine, 6 months paediatric emergency medicine or acute paediatrics, 6 months acute medicine, 6 months trauma orthopaedics or plastic surgery and 6 months anaesthesia / intensive care medicine.
- Enrolment into the BST programme will be via a competitive process.
- This competitive process will be managed at national level under the auspices of the RCSI and will be advertised as of January / February 2011 with a view to trainees being enrolled and allocated suitable training slots for July 2011.
- The three year BST programme will have a capacity to train 30 trainees per year, resulting in a total of 90 training slots being available in this programme.
- In implementing this national programme as of July 2011, ACEMT on behalf of the RCSI intends to populate all three years of the programme simultaneously.
- In this context, due consideration will be given by the ACEMT to previous relevant clinical experience obtained by applicants under the supervision of senior clinical supervisors. As appropriate, successful applicants to the programme may be granted retrospective recognition of this clinical experience and slotted into the appropriate year of the BST programme. This retrospection will encompass satisfactory completion of posts recognised for training prior to July 2010 and, from July 2010 to June 2011, to satisfactory completion of posts previously recognised for training, the latter pending an updated inspection process under the auspices of ACEMT during that 12 month period.
- Successful completion of the national BST programme or equivalent in Emergency Medicine will result in the award of a Certificate of Successful Completion of Basic Specialist Training in Emergency Medicine from ACEMT on behalf of RCSI.

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- For the July 2012 intake onwards, this BST Certificate and Membership of the College of Emergency Medicine will be the only acceptable qualifications for entry into Higher Specialist Training in Emergency Medicine in Ireland.