

Proforma for Schools of Ophthalmology

Information for trainees applying for national recruitment



Name of Deanery: Wales	
Brief Description of Training Programme	
Number of Trainees:32 + 2 LATs	Link to the School of Ophthalmology website:nil
Rotation Examples (Flexibly arranged and not binding): <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Glangwilli- Singleton-POWH- UHW- R Glam- Abergele- Singleton or UHW Abergele- Wrexham- R GH-RGlam-POWH- Singleton-UHW UHW- Abergele- Wrexham- Glangwili- Singleton- R Gwent-UHW Wrexham- Abergele-R Glam-UHW- R GH- Singleton-UHW RGH- UHW-Wrexham-Abergele- Glangwilli- RGlam- Singleton 	
Hospitals on rotation: University Hospital of Wales- Cardiff- UHW Royal Gwent Hospital- Newport- RGH Royal Glamorgan Hospital- Llantrisant- RGlam Princess of Wales Hospital- Bridgend- POWH Singleton Hospital- Swansea- Glangwilli Hospital – Carmarthen- Wrexham Maelor Hospital- Wrexham- Ysbyty Glan Clwyd- Abergele	
GMC Survey Results (overall trainee satisfaction and educational supervision): The overall satisfaction has been good with excellent educational supervision	
Surgical Experience	
Simulation Facilities: EyeSi : at UHW,Singleton, Royal Gwent and Abergele. Other simulation Philip studio eyes at all hospitals	Average number of Phacos performed by trainees after two years of training: Average number of Phacos performed by trainees after two years of training: Between 50 to 150
Academia	
ACF / ACL Track Records: This differs in Wales but we have had 2 trainees in the last 5 years going off on the academic route. One trainee has been accepted to ACF	OOPR Allowances and Stipulation: OOPR allow after ST2 with applications in advance. ! trainee taking up an OOPR for a PhD- for 3 years. There is a WCAT programme for the latter
Trainee Research Network links: Nil but there is a member of the STC who is the research advocate. Trainees have their own website 'Post Haven' with a lot of educational material posted from clinical teaching	
Research Opportunities: 2 current trainee have had research grants in the last year. There is a very strong lab based research unit in Cardiff lead by Professor James Morgan and Professor Marcela Votruba. 3 trainees have undertaken BOSU projects in the last 5 years	

Published Papers by Deanery Trainees (over the last 5 Years):

Most trainees publish atleast 1 paper/letter or communication this is not always in peer reviewed journals. Very strong trainee presence on Eye news

National and International meetings where trainees have presented (over the last 3 Years), e.g. RCO Congress, ARVO, AAO, ESCRS, BOPSS, BEAVRS, UKISCRS and BIPOSA

Trainees are encouraged to submit for all these meetings. Those with a presentation are allowed to attend.. On an average about 10 presentations per year- most of them posters.

Trainees have a research half day the kestrel cup and a prize, a regional case competition and regional project day

Monitoring of Training Quality

What quality monitoring measures are in place for trainees to feedback on the quality of their training?

This is done at regular appraisals. There is also a quality lead at the deanery who can be approached confidentially

Exam Pass Rates

Outline of all exam pass rates for the 4 RCO Exams over the last 5 years

Part 1: 80%at first attempt –R

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Written Part 2- 80%

Oral part 2- 80%

In-house training for RCOphth Examinations

Weekly teaching

Exam revision course

Regional / Local Teaching Programmes

Description of what the Regional / Local teaching Programmes provide –

Friday afternoons teaching every week during term time- Meeting supervised by consultants- topics selected according to curriculum. Could be a mixture of CBD's /journal club and lecture at end. Trainees from the north attend or skype teaching programme in Manchester and Liverpool. Trainees in the west attend singleton teaching alternate weeks and UHW otherwise. In addition there are speciality days teaching- anterior segment symposium, paediatric ophthalmology day,, Registrar research day, Welsh ophthalmic forum – all day.

External Fellowships / TSCs / OOPE

Undertaken by Trainees (over the last 5 Years) - Undertaken by Trainees (over the last 5 Years) - All trainees have undertaken TSC's and further fellowships, MR, Glaucoma, Paediatrics and Strabismus, VR, oculoplastics, Cornea and anterior segment, Strabismus and neruo, emergency ophthalmology. These have been in the UK and NZ and Canada.2019- based in Moorfields for Paeds and strabismus and Leeds for VR.

One trainee in the last 5 years have undertaken an OOPE and travelled to SA and trained in doing SICS and tropical ophthalmology

Trainees have also taken part in volunteering over shorter periods of 2 weeks to Vietnam and 3 month periods to Malawi as OOPE

Leadership and Management Training Opportunities –

– In house training and UK training opportunities

Trainee Consultant Appointments (over the last 5 Years)

10 trainees have been appointed in Wales over the last 5 years and all the rest have been successful with appointments in England. In 2019 we have 3 trainees from Wales who will take up posts in glaucoma, Paeds and strabismus and oculoplastics