

# **2018 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS**

**PALLIATIVE MEDICINE**

**SPECIALTY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS**

**OCTOBER 2018**

## Introduction

The Specialty Specific Questions have been developed to test trainee's access to, participation in or confidence in the attainment of specific aspects of the specialty training curriculum.

The questions have been included Programme Specific Questions in the annual GMC National Trainee Survey. The details of these questions and the trainee responses (nationally, by Deanery/LETB and by grade can be found within this report.

173 Palliative Medicine trainees (48 ST3s, 28 ST4s, 49 ST5s and 48 ST6s) completed the 2018 survey. This was no change on the number of trainees completing the 2017 survey. The numbers of trainees in each Deanery / LETB completing the survey were as follows:

Deanery / LETB	2017	2018	% Difference
Health Education East Midlands	13	15	+ 15%
Health Education East of England	13	11	- 15%
Health Education N, C & E London	11	11	+ 0%
Health Education North East	8	9	+ 13%
Health Education North West	18	18	+ 0%
Health Education NW London	11	0	
Health Education South London	26	35	+ 35%
Health Education South West	10	7	- 30%
Health Education Thames Valley	3	5	+ 67%
Health Education Wessex	5	7	+ 40%
Health Education West Midlands	16	15	- 6%
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	14	15	+ 7%
NHS Education for Scotland	9	12	+ 33%
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	6	4	- 33%
Wales Deanery	10	9	- 10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>+ 0%</b>

	Reduction of >10% of trainees completing the NTS in 2018 compared to 2017
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## Specialty Specific Questions

Specialty Specific Questions (Palliative Medicine)	% trainees agreeing overall	2017/2018 Difference	Agreement Highest		Agreement Lowest		% difference [Range]
1) My training to date has prepared me to manage patients independently out of hours (ST5, ST6)	2017: 100% (85/85) 2018: 100% (97/97)	+0%	14/14 regions	100%			0 [100-100]
2) There have been adequate opportunities for me to develop my leadership skills in the NHS, over the course of my training (ST5, ST6)	2017: 85% (72/85) 2018: 80% (78/97)	-5%	6/14 regions Yorks and Humber East of England London (South)	100% 90% 83% 74%	South West West Midlands East Midlands LDN (NC&E), SCO	25% 63% 67% 66%	75 [25-100]
3) There have been adequate opportunities for me to develop my leadership skills in the voluntary sector, over the course of my training (ST5, ST6)	2017: 68% (58/85) 2018: 71% (69/97)	+3%	NE, THV North West East of England West Midlands Wessex	100% 91% 83% 76% 75%	South West Northern Ireland Yorks and Humber Scotland WAL, LDN (N,C&E), EMD London (South)	0% 50% 60% 66% 67% 69%	100 [0-100]
4) I am confident in planning and delivering a range of educational sessions (ST5, ST6)	2017: 95% (81/85) 2018: 98% (95/97)	+3%	12/14 regions	100%	East Midlands London (South)	84% 96%	16 [84-100]
5) I feel that I can make an informed choice about the type of consultant post I would like to obtain (ST5, ST6)	2017: 92% (78/85) 2018: 92% (89/97)	+0%	8/14 regions London (South) EoE, LDN (N,C&E)	100% 91% 84%	Wales Yorks and Humber East Midlands	67% 80% 83%	33 [67-100]
6) The <b>HANDOVER</b> of on-call patients across care settings in this post ensures continuity of care for patients (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)	2017: 85% (147/173) 2018: 86% (149/173)	+1%	South West Yorks and Humber East of England LDN (Sth) NE, NWN Wales	100% 93% 91% 89% 89%	West Midlands Scotland, NI Thames Valley LDN (N, C & E) EMD, Wessex	73% 75% 80% 81% 86%	27 [73-100]
7) The <b>HANDBACK</b> of on-call patients across care settings in this post ensures continuity of care for patients (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)	2017: 73% (126/173) 2018: 82% (142/173)	+9%	SWN, THV Scotland East of England LDN (S), NE, NW Wessex	100% 92% 91% 89% 85%	Northern Ireland East Midlands West Midlands Wales LDN (N, C & E) Yorks and Humber	50% 54% 67% 78% 81% 80%	50 [50-100]

Specialty Specific Questions (Palliative Medicine)	% trainees agreeing overall	2017/2018 Difference	Agreement Highest	Agreement Lowest	% difference [Range]
8) In your last on-call weekend, how many unplanned face to face assessments/admissions did you undertake of unstable patients? (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)	<b>2017    2018</b> 0: 10    11 <b>1-3: 47    40</b> 4-6: 20    24 7-10: 13    16 >10: 9    9	+1% <b>-7%</b> +4% +3% +0%	EoE, LDN (N, C & E)    27% Northern Ireland    75% Thames Valley    60% South West    29% West Midlands    33%	4/14 regions    0% London (N, C & E)    18% NI, SW, Wessex    0% NI, Thames Valley    0% 7/14 regions    0%	27 57 60 29 33
9) In your last on-call weekend, how many times did you give advice, without face to face assessment, to another clinical team in a hospital and/or the community? (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)	<b>2017    2018</b> 0: 15    11 <b>1-3: 49    52</b> 4-6: 24    28 7-10: 7    4 >10: 5    5	-4% <b>+3%</b> +4% -3% +0%	East of England    36% East Midlands    93% Wales    78% SW, Wessex    14% London (South)    14%	6/14 regions    0% Wales    0% East Midlands    7% 8/14 regions    0% 11/14 regions    0%	36 93 71 14 14
10) I feel I've had sufficient on-call experience managing unstable patients (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)	2017: 93% (161/173) 2018: 92% (160/173)	-1%	8/14 regions    100% London (South)    94% East of England    81%	London (NC&E)    72% NIR, SCO    75% Wales    77%	28 [72-100]

Deaneries / LETBs are listed alphabetically by quartile in the table below with 'quartile four' containing the highest ranked and 'quartile one' the lowest. The data was produced by taking an average of all quality criteria percentages.

Quartile	Deanery / LETB	Year	N=	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	10
3	Health Education North East	2017	8	100	80	60	100	100	100	88	88
4		2018	9	100	100	100	100	100	89	89	100
4	Health Education North Western	2017	18	100	89	89	89	89	84	84	100
4		2018	18	100	100	91	100	100	89	89	100
4	Health Education Thames Valley	2017	3	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
4		2018	5	100	100	100	100	100	80	100	100
3	Health Education Wessex	2017	5	100	100	100	100	100	60	60	100
4		2018	7	100	100	75	100	100	86	85	100
1	Health Education East of England	2017	13	100	56	44	100	100	70	15	100
3		2018	11	100	83	83	100	84	91	91	81
2	Health Education London (South)	2017	26	100	89	44	89	78	81	81	92
3		2018	35	100	74	69	96	91	89	89	94
2	Health Education Yorkshire and Humber	2017	14	100	78	78	89	89	92	85	100
3		2018	15	100	90	60	100	80	93	80	100
3	Health Education London (North Central and East)	2017	11	100	88	88	100	100	82	73	91
2		2018	11	100	67	67	100	84	81	81	72
4	NHS Education for Scotland	2017	9	100	100	100	100	100	100	89	100
2		2018	12	100	67	67	100	100	75	92	75
1	Wales Deanery	2017	10	100	80	80	80	80	80	60	90
2		2018	9	100	100	67	100	67	89	78	78
4	Health Education West Midlands	2017	16	100	88	88	100	100	100	82	88
2		2018	15	100	63	76	100	100	73	67	100
1	Health Education East Midlands	2017	13	100	100	40	100	80	77	61	85
1		2018	15	100	67	67	84	83	86	54	100
1	Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency	2017	6	100	100	0	100	67	100	83	100
1		2018	4	100	100	50	100	100	75	50	75
3	Health Education South Western	2017	10	100	100	75	100	100	80	70	90
1		2018	7	100	25	0	100	100	100	100	100

0-50% overall agreement in 2018	51-75% overall agreement in 2018	76-100% overall agreement in 2018
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Questions 8 and 9 not included.

