The 2022 Palliative Medicine Curriculum
Housekeeping

Please can all attendees
- Turn camera off
- Mute microphones

- Write questions in the Chat: all questions will be taken at the end of the presentations
Overview

- Background to the new curriculum
- Capabilities in Practice
- Workplace based assessments and SLEs
- E-Portfolio
- Transition to the new curriculum
- Interface between specialty training and IM
- The trainee experience
- Question and answer session
## The story so far.....

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<td>Recommended majority of specialties move to broad-based training to better meet changing population needs (ageing, frailty, multi-morbidity)</td>
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<td>March 2017</td>
<td>UK Shape of Training Steering Group confirmed Palliative Medicine would be a “Group 1” specialty&lt;br&gt;Dual accreditation from 2022 with Internal Medicine (IM)</td>
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<td>January 2019</td>
<td>GMC Curriculum Oversight Group approved the first phase of the new curriculum submission, the “purpose statement”&lt;br&gt;• Competitive entry at ST4 after IM3&lt;br&gt;• Dual accreditation with IM over 4 years</td>
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<td>October 2019</td>
<td>New curriculum consultation – report submitted to JRCPTB and GMC Jan 2020&lt;br&gt;Parallel APM consultation/survey</td>
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<td>Equality impact assessment consultation led by RCP&lt;br&gt;SAC response to consultation sent to JRCPTB and GMC</td>
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<td>GMC confirmed “The GMC and four nations are committed to Palliative Medicine being a group 1 specialty and the proposal is for the four nations to come back to the GMC with models for delivery”</td>
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<td>2020-2021</td>
<td>All Deaneries working with RCP and local training leads to develop implementation plans</td>
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<td>November 2021</td>
<td>GMC Curriculum Advisory Group approved new Palliative Medicine curriculum subject to enhanced monitoring</td>
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<td>GMC gave full approval to new curriculum – start date August 2022</td>
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The new training pathway

The physician training pathway

Foundation training (2 Years)

Selection

Internal Medicine Stage 1 training (3 years)
- Mandatory items
  - Acute medicine
  - Acute take
  - Outpatients
  - Geriatric medicine
  - ITU/HDU
  - Simulation
- Medical Registrar

Selection

Specialty training (indicative 4 years)
- Internal Medicine Stage 2 (in specialty)
- Internal Medicine Stage 2 (acute care)

Specialty certification

MRCP(UK)

SCE/KBA

Workplace-based assessment
The main changes to the curriculum

- 4-year programme including IM
- Enhanced recognition of changing need: Frailty, multi-comorbidity, ageing population, organ failure, supportive care in cancer, transition services
- Indicative recommendation: minimum 6-months in all settings (community, hospital and specialist inpatient)
- More detail around what we are expecting from trainees to meet capabilities, e.g.
  - Involvement in specialty take/on call
  - Working in different settings: hospice/specialist inpatient, community and hospital advisory palliative care
- Public health palliative care
- Looking to the future, e.g. technology
- Self care and resilience
Public Health in the new curriculum

- Shift from a narrow, biomedical model of Public Health to develop understanding contemporary themes and health promotion, supported by experts in the field
  - Ensuring descriptors supporting Palliative Medicine CiPs reflect up to date practice, e.g.
    - Awareness of the impact of life-limiting illness on social participation and support networks
    - Awareness of positive and negative impacts of caring on those close to patients with life-limiting illness (CiP 6)
    - Awareness of and ability to work alongside community and social resources to support vulnerable people (CiP 6)
    - Awareness of dying as a social process (CiP 5)
  - Section in syllabus to outline context for focus on public health in palliative care, community empowerment and health promotion to improve outcomes at the end of life
- Development of training programme to support curriculum implementation
  - Four webinars, a study day and group workshop on compassionate community sills in the clinical setting
What has not changed

- Training across all palliative care settings
- Broad approach to training, e.g.
  - Holistic palliative care approach, underpinned by evidence and clinical practice
  - Palliative care approach based on need not diagnosis
  - Underpinning knowledge and skills, e.g. detailed assessment, pharmacology, communication
- Flexibility to meet individual trainee needs
- Assessments to support learning
  - Supervised learning events, e.g. mini-CEX, CbD, RRP
  - DOPS
- SCE (Palliative Medicine only)
Capabilities in Practice (CiPs)
Capabilities in practice

- Capabilities in practice (CiPs) describe the professional tasks or work within the scope of a curriculum.

- CiPs are based on the format of entrustable professional activities.

- They utilise professional judgement of appropriately trained, expert assessors (clinical and educational supervisors).

- They provide a defensible way of forming global judgements of professional performance.

- In order to complete training the doctor must demonstrate that they are capable of unsupervised practice in all CiPs as detailed in the curriculum.
Capabilities in practice

Each CiP is further broken down into:

- descriptors
- the expected levels of performance
- how the CiP is mapped to the relevant Generic Professional Capabilities (GPC)
- the evidence that may be used to inform entrustment decisions
Capabilities in practice descriptors

▪ Each CiP has a set of descriptors associated with that activity or task
▪ These descriptors indicate the minimum level of knowledge, skills and attitudes which should be demonstrated
▪ The descriptors are not a comprehensive list and there are many more examples that would provide equally valid evidence of performance
### Capabilities in practice

The CiPs are grouped into three categories:

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<td>Covering the universal requirements of all specialties as described in Good Medical Practice (GMP) and Generic Professional Capabilities (GPC) frameworks</td>
<td>Covering the clinical tasks or activities which are essential to the practice of internal medicine</td>
<td>Covering the clinical tasks or activities which are essential to the practice of that particular specialty</td>
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The nine domains of the GMC's Generic Professional Capabilities

- Professional knowledge
  - Health promotion and illness prevention
  - Research and scholarship
- Professional skills
  - Leadership and team
  - Education and training
  - Patient safety and quality improvement
  - Safeguarding vulnerable groups
Generic CiPs

1. Able to successfully function within NHS organisational and management systems
2. Able to deal with ethical and legal issues related to clinical practice
3. Communicates effectively and is able to share decision making, while maintaining appropriate situational awareness, professional behaviour and professional judgement
4. Is focussed on patient safety and delivers effective quality improvement in patient care
5. Carrying out research and managing data appropriately
6. Acting as a clinical teacher and clinical supervisor
Internal Medicine Clinical CiPs

1. Managing an acute unselected take
2. Managing the acute care of patients within a medical specialty service
3. Providing continuity of care to medical inpatients, including management of comorbidities and cognitive impairment
4. Managing patients in an outpatient clinic, ambulatory or community setting (including management of long term conditions)
5. Managing problems in patients in other specialties and special cases
6. Managing a multi-disciplinary team including effective discharge planning
7. Delivering effective resuscitation and managing acutely deteriorating patients
8. Managing end of life and applying palliative care skills
Palliative Medicine Specialty CiPs

1. Managing patients with life limiting conditions across all care settings

2. Ability to manage complex pain in people with life limiting conditions across all care settings

3. Demonstrates the ability to manage complex symptoms secondary to life limiting conditions across all care settings

4. Ability to demonstrate effective advanced communication skills with patients with life limiting conditions, those close to them and colleagues across all care settings

5. Ability to manage, lead and provide optimal care of the complex dying patient and those close to them across all care settings

6. Manage delivery of holistic psychosocial care of patients and those close to them including loss and grief; and religious, cultural and spiritual care across all care settings

7. Demonstrates the ability to lead a palliative care service in any setting, including the third sector
Example of a Palliative Medicine CiP

**CiP 2. Ability to manage complex pain in people with life limiting conditions across all care settings**

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<td>• Up-to-date knowledge, understanding and skills to assess and manage complex pain secondary to life-limiting progressive disease, taking into account patient preferences and reversibility</td>
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<td>• Knowledge of the pathophysiology of pain to inform pain assessment and management</td>
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<td>• Application of evidence-based knowledge and skill in the effective use of non-pharmacological management, opioid &amp; non-opioid analgesics to manage complex pain, including safe prescribing in patients with organ failure, frailty and low body weight or who are in the last hours or days of life</td>
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<td>• Knowledge of managing pain whilst minimising longer term adverse effects in those with progressive disease but longer prognoses</td>
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<td>• Appropriate knowledge of interventional pain techniques to effectively manage complex pain that is not responding to conventional treatments</td>
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<td>• Ability to refer to and share care with other pain services</td>
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<td>• Ability to safely manage pain in the context of drug misuse and dependence</td>
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### CiP 2. Ability to manage complex pain in people with life limiting conditions across all care settings

| Generic Professional Capability Framework (GPC) domain links | Domain 1: Professional values and behaviours  
Domain 2: Professional skills  
• Practical skills  
• Communication and interpersonal skills  
• Clinical skills  
Domain 3: Professional knowledge  
Domain 5: Capabilities in leadership and team working  
Domain 6: Capabilities in patient safety and quality improvement  
Domain 9: Capabilities in research and scholarship |
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| Evidence to inform decision | SCE  
CbD  
mini-CEX  
DOPs  
Reflective practice  
MCR  
ES report  
Review of clinical activity, e.g. community and interventional pain experience |
Workplace Based Assessments (WPBA) and Supervised Learning Events (SLEs)
New Workplace Based Assessments (WPBA) and Supervised Learning Events (SLEs)

• A range of WPBA can be used to inform sign off decisions about trainees experience

• Assessors make accountable professional judgements

• Professional judgements are used and collated to make holistic decisions on progression

• Do not need a specific number of WPBA per CiP – can be based on observation as well
Types of WPBA/ SLEs

Workplace-based assessment (WPBA)
• Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS) – summative

Formative assessment
Supervised Learning Events (SLEs)
• Acute Care Assessment Tool (ACAT)
• Case-Based Discussions (CbD)
• mini-Clinical Evaluation Exercise (mini-CEX)
• Clinical Leadership Development (LEADER)

WPBA
• Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS) – formative
• Multi-Source Feedback (MSF)
• Patient Survey (PS)
• Quality Improvement Project Assessment Tool (QIPAT)
• Teaching Observation (TO)

Supervisor reports
• Multiple Consultant Report (MCR)
• Educational Supervisor Report (ESR)
## Palliative Medicine Minimum numbers of WPBA/SLEs

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<td><strong>Syringe pump set up</strong></td>
<td>Skills lab or satisfactory supervised practice</td>
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<td>Competent to set up independently (summative DOPS)</td>
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<td><strong>NIV set up and troubleshooting,</strong> e.g. checking the machine is set up according to the initiating team’s advice, ensuring correct mask position and patient comfort, and able to assess common problems/potential emergencies and know who to contact for advice</td>
<td>Skills lab or satisfactory supervised practice</td>
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<td><strong>Spinal lines: principles, indications and likely complications in relation to spinal lines, e.g. how to recognise a problem, what to inspect and who to call for advice</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Tracheostomy care: management of common complications, e.g. secretions and a simple tube/tracheostomy change</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Indwelling plural/peritoneal catheter: identification of appropriate patients; day to day management and troubleshooting of complications, e.g. displacement, infection, blockage</strong></td>
<td>Skills lab or satisfactory supervised practice</td>
<td>Limited supervision</td>
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<td>Competent to manage complications and advise patients re:</td>
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Total 3 syringe pump DOPS during training to demonstrate maintaining competence

Min 1 of each of other DOPS
Simulation

- DOPS done as simulation – will need to develop and deliver Simulation programmes in regional hubs
- Pilot for DOPS has been done in London as a formative development day –
  - Excellent feedback
  - Will need to be scaled up
  - Funding from HEE
  - Consider SIM lead on STC
- May develop simulation for human factors and communication in the future
Eportfolio

- For those transitioning to the new palliative medicine curriculum, their old ePortfolio will not transfer to the new one (they will run alongside and need to be remapped)

- Trainees will have 2 curricula – IMT and palliative medicine (2022)

- Curriculum will be mapped to CiPs
  - Trainees will self rate each area and link items to justify their rating for each CiP.
  - Educational supervisor reviews trainees self rating, MCR and range of evidence for each CiP to then provide rating
New 2022 curricula – specialty specific changes

The new curricula are CiPs based and the CiPs will be grouped and appear on the curriculum page of the ePortfolio

Geriatric Medicine & Internal Medicine (EMD660) – 04/08/2022 – 31/07/2027
▪ Ratings for the generic CiPs:

- Rating: Below expectations, Meets expectations, Above expectations
- Comments: Below expectations, Meets expectations, Above expectations

▪ Ratings for Internal Medicine clinical CiPs and specialty CiPs:

- Rating: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4
- Comments: Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Level 4
Ratings for practical procedures:
Multiple Consultant Report (MCR)

- This form is designed to help to capture the opinions of consultants who have supervised the trainee in clinical settings.
- Respondents should provide feedback on the trainee’s progress against the CiPs using global anchor statements.
- It may not be possible to provide feedback against every CiP, however it is the trainees responsibility to ensure they have adequate feedback across the training year.
- MCRs will be collated and summarised in the MCR Year Summary Sheet.
Example of an MCR which will be specific to each specialty curriculum

**Multiple Consultant Report – Geriatric Medicine**

1. Able to function successfully within NHS organisational and management systems
   - Below expectations for this year of training
   - Meeting expectations for this year of training
   - Above expectations for this year of training
   - Not observed

Please provide comments to justify your rating and identify any areas of concern or excellence.

**Internal Medicine CiPs**

1. Managing an acute unselected take
   - Below expectations for this year of training
   - Meeting expectations for this year of training
   - Above expectations for this year of training
   - Not observed

Clinical Supervisors will record their rating for each CIP – they should only record feedback for the CiPs they have observed.
New Educational Supervisor’s Report

▪ Designed for each specialty. There will be a separate ES report for Internal Medicine

▪ The report will auto-populate the latest ratings and comments made by the Educational Supervisor taken from the curriculum page

▪ Educational Supervisors must ensure that they update the curriculum with the latest rating and comment for the CiPs prior to creating the report
New Educational Supervisor’s Report – how the auto-population will work

Educational Supervisor rates and comments on the trainee’s progression on the curriculum page. The ES generates the ES report which will pull through the latest ratings and comments from the curriculum page.

Here two ratings have been made by the ES. The system will check the latest rating that was made and this will then be populated in the ESR.
When the ESR form is created, the CiPs ratings and comments will auto-populate.

The form can be saved as draft if the ratings or comments need to be updated before completing the report.

If the ESR form is saved in draft, it will update any changes made to the curriculum ratings and comments until it is saved as final.
New Summary of Progression page

- Designed for each specialty to provide an overview of evidence recorded in the ePortfolio
- Organised in sections that reflect the ARCP decision aid
- It will auto-populate and display the latest data
- To be used for meetings between ES and trainees and for ARCP
The summary of evidence section will auto-populate with total number of assessment forms that has been completed within the date range for the year of training. The requirements for each specialty will be detailed in the ARCP decision aid.

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Each section will auto-populate data if evidence has been recorded in the ePortfolio. Where there is specific indicative target, green will indicate that this has been met.
Transition of current trainees
Transition to New Palliative Medicine Curriculum

- **Optional transition**
  - Those who started training prior to August 2021 are encouraged to transition unless in their final year but are not required to do so.
  - If staying on 2010 curriculum, needs confirmation of this in their portfolio by TPD, preferably as part of the ARCP process.

- **Mandatory transition**
  - StRs starting training after August 2021 and those appointed from August 2021, unless:
    - GP or other non-CMT background
    - Exceptional personal circumstances
    - Patient safety concerns if they were to transition, e.g. length of time from CMT
  - Application can only be approved by Postgraduate Dean
Transition Process

▪ What needs to be done or has already been done?
  ▪ Gap analysis
  ▪ IM catch up training if needed – IMT3/ specialty training and IM stage 2
  ▪ ES role – evidence on old and new curriculum
  ▪ CCT date may change (agreed at ARCP)
The interface between IM and Specialty Training
A broad range of Specialist Settings + IM stage 2 experience in acute Trusts – 2 examples of block approach

**IMT 1-3** Entry into dual training after completing Stage 1 IM training

**ST4** 1 year Palliative Medicine - Inpatient hospice setting

**ST5** 4 months Stage 2 IM training (acute Trust) + 8 months hospital or community focused Palliative Medicine Training

**ST6** 4 months Stage 2 IM training (acute Trust) + 8 months hospital or community focused Palliative Medicine Training

**ST7** 4 months Stage 2 IM training (acute Trust) + 8 months Palliative Medicine - inpatient hospice setting

**IMT 1-3** Entry into dual training after completing Stage 1 IM training

**ST4** 1 year Palliative Medicine - Inpatient hospice setting

**ST5** 6 months Stage 2 IM training (acute Trust) + 6 months hospital Palliative Medicine Training

**ST6** 12 months Community & Senior hospice Palliative Medicine Training

**ST7** 6 months Stage 2 IM training (acute Trust) + 6 months hospice or hospital Palliative Medicine
Principles of dual training

- IM training posts should provide trainees with perspectives on patient management delivered in other medical specialities.

- Generic and IM capabilities can be acquired during specialty training AND placements labelled as internal medicine.
  - Up to 3 months Palliative Medicine training can ‘count’ towards acquisition of IM capabilities.
Implementation of training – dual training during specialty training (hospice/hospital)

- IM CiP5: Managing medical problems in patients in other specialties and special cases
Implementation of training – dual training during specialty training (hospice/hospital/community)

- IM CiP5: Managing medical problems in patients in other specialties and special cases
  - Our trainees will demonstrate effective consultation skills including in challenging circumstances
  - They will manage medical problems for inpatients under the care of other specialties
  - They will demonstrate appropriate and timely liaison with other medical specialty services when required
Implementation of training – dual training during specialty training (hospice/hospital/community)

- IM CiP6: Managing a multi-disciplinary team including effective discharge planning
Implementation of training – dual training during specialty training (hospice/hospital/community)

- IM CiP6: Managing a multi-disciplinary team including effective discharge planning
  - Ensures continuity and coordination of patient care through the appropriate transfer of information demonstrating safe and effective handover
  - Effectively estimates length of stay & identifies appropriate discharge plan
  - Delivers patient-centred care including shared decision making
  - Recognises the importance of prompt and accurate information sharing with primary care team following hospital *(or specialist palliative care unit)* discharge
Principles of dual training

- Separate Educational Supervision and GIM representation at ARCP are the gold standard. Eventually we will produce trainers comfortable with supervision of both IM and specialty curricula.

- TPDs will work with training units and trainees to facilitate ‘Keeping in Touch’ training (Palliative Medicine whilst in IM, IM whilst in Palliative Medicine), e.g.
  - Specialty and IM training days
  - Procedural skills simulation
  - Acute take, AMU and SDEC sessions
  - Outpatient and community experience outside of Palliative Medicine
The trainee experience
Emily

Route into ST3 palliative medicine –

‘CT3 year’ – 6 months acute/elderly registrar then 6 months community geriatrics then St Gemma’s specialty doctor for 6 months then entry to ST3 Feb 21

Curriculum gap after analysis – critical care experience

Closing the gap – 10 week placement in ICU
Kathryn

Route into ST3 palliative medicine – Core Medical Training

Curriculum gap after analysis – Intensive care medicine

Closing the gap – 4 Month ICM placement with Acute Medicine on calls
Rose

Route into ST3 palliative medicine – CMT1-2, then clinical fellow in Palliative Medicine (hospice/hospital), then ST3

Curriculum gap after analysis – further experience as a registrar on unselected acute take

Closing the gap – in ST3, spending every 5th week on AMU as medical registrar (total 6 weeks)
Stephanie

Route into ST3 palliative medicine - Acute Care Common Stem straight into ST3

Also an Academic Clinical Fellow in palliative medicine

Curriculum gap after analysis – working as medical registrar managing the acute take

Closing the gap – 3 month placement on medical registrar rota
Final thoughts

- Major curriculum change from August 2022
  - Dual training
  - Change from competence assessment to CiPs
    - Matrix concept of generic, IM and Palliative Medicine CiPs, underpinned by GPC framework
- 2010 and 2022 curricula will run in parallel for some years
- Impact will be monitored via surveys to training units and trainees
- Early escalation of issues to TPDs important

GOOD LUCK!!!!