# 2018 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS

## CLINICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGY

## SPECIALTY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

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# 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.

25 Clinical Neurophysiology trainees (6 ST3s, 3 ST4s, 8 ST5s, 7 ST6s and 1 ST7) completed the survey. This was a decrease of 11% (3 trainees) compared to 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 of England | <3 | | |
| Health Education London (NC&E) | 6 | 5 | -17% |
| Health Education London (South) | 5 | 3 | -40% |
| Health Education North East | <3 | | |
| Health Education North West | 0 | | |
| Health Education South West | <3 | | |
| Health Education Thames Valley | <3 | | |
| Health Education Wessex | <3 | | |
| Health Education West Midlands | <3 | 4 | |
| Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber | 3 | | |
| NHS Education for Scotland | 3 | | |
| Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency | 0 | | |
| Wales Deanery | <3 | | |
| **Total** | **28** | **25** | **-11%** |

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

Overall, agreement decreased in four of seven Clinical Neurophysiology specialty specific questions compared with 2017.   Please see results below:

| Specialty Specific Questions | % satisfactory responses overall | 2017/2018 Difference | Agreement Highest | | Agreement Lowest | | % difference [Range] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1) My training in Basic Nerve Conduction Studies and Electromyography (EMG) has been the best possible. | 2017: 89% (25/28) 2018: 80% (20/25) | -9% | London (N, C & E) London (S) | 100% 100% | West Midlands | 50% | 50 [50-100] |
| 2) My training in Basic Evoked Potentials has been the best possible. | 2017: 61% (17/28) 2018: 56% (14/25) | -5% | London (S) London (N, C & E) | 100% 60% | West Midlands | 50% | 50 [50-100] |
| 3) My training in Advanced Electroencephalography (EEG) has been the best possible. | 2017: 75% (21/28) 2018: 76% (19/25) | +1% | London (N, C & E) London (S) | 100% 100% | West Midlands | 25% | 75 [25-100] |
| 4) My training in Advanced Nerve Conduction Studies and Electromyography (EMG) has been the best possible. | 2017: 75% (21/28) 2018: 56% (14/25) | -19% | London (N, C & E) London (S) | 100% 100% | West Midlands | 25% | 75 [25-100] |
| 5) My training in Advanced Evoked Potential has been the best possible. | 2017: 54% (15/28) 2018: 52% (13/25) | -2% | West Midlands London (S) | 75% 67% | London (N, C & E) | 60% | 15 [60-75] |
| 6) My training in Neurology has been the best possible. | 2017: 68% (19/28) 2018: 68% (17/25) | +0% | London (S) London (N, C & E) | 100% 80% | West Midlands | 50% | 50 [50-100] |
| 7) How would you rate your training in basic EEG (Electro-encephalo-gram)? | 2018: 92% (23/25) | 2018 only | London (N, C & E) London (S) West Midlands | 100% 100% 100% | | | 0 [100-100] |

Deaneries are listed from highest to lowest by taking the average across all seven specialty specific questions.

| Deanery / LETB | Year | N= | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Health Education London (South) | 2017 | 5 | 60 | 60 | 80 | 60 | 60 | 80 | |
| | 2018 | 3 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 67 | 100 | 100 |
| Health Education London (North Central and East) | 2017 | 6 | 100 | 67 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 67 | |
| | 2018 | 5 | 100 | 60 | 100 | 100 | 60 | 80 | 100 |
| Health Education West Midlands | 2017 | <3 | | | | | | | |
| | 2018 | 4 | 50 | 50 | 25 | 25 | 75 | 50 | 100 |

| | 0-50% overall agreement in 2018 | | 51-75% overall agreement in 2018 | | 76-100% overall agreement in 2018 |
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