

2019 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS

NEUROLOGY

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 as 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.

256 Neurology trainees (72 ST3, 50 ST4, 50 ST5, 48 ST6, 34 ST7 and 2 ST8) completed the 2019 survey. This was an overall increase of 1% (2 trainees) on the number of trainees completing the 2018 survey. The numbers of trainees in each Deanery / LETB completing the survey were as follows:

Deanery / LETB	2018	2019	% Difference
Defence Postgraduate Medical Deanery	1	1	+ 0%
Health Education East Midlands	13	10	-23%
Health Education East of England	18	18	+ 0%
Health Education Kent, Surrey and Sussex	17	15	-12%
Health Education London (N,C & E)	33	42	+27%
Health Education London (NW)	0	0	+ 0%
Health Education London (South)	21	20	-5%
Health Education North East	13	11	-15%
Health Education North West	14	12	-14%
Health Education Mersey	8	11	+38%
Health Education Severn	9	5	-44%
Health Education South West Peninsula	7	7	+ 0%
Health Education Thames Valley	11	9	-18%
Health Education Wessex	7	8	+14%
Health Education West Midlands	16	21	+31%
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	28	31	+11%
Health Education and Improvement Wales	8	8	+ 0%
NHS Education for Scotland (East Region)	0	0	+ 0%
NHS Education for Scotland (North Region)	22	19	-14%
NHS Education for Scotland (South-East Region)	0	0	+ 0%
NHS Education for Scotland (West Region)	0	0	+ 0%
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	8	8	+ 0%
Total	254	256	+1%

A table showing the overall percentage of trainees in agreement with each of the specialty specific questions, the 2018/19 percentage difference, and the regions with the highest and lowest levels of agreement can be found on pages 2, 3 and 4 below.

Specialty Specific Questions – Neurology

Quality Criteria	% trainees agreeing overall		2018/2019 Difference	Agreement Highest In 2019		Agreement Lowest In 2019	
Q1: Are you involved in the delivery of the National Stroke Strategy (ie rapid access TIA clinics or acute stroke care service)?	2016: 72%		-4%	WES	100%	NIR	0%
	2017: 60%			LDN (Sth)	90%	WAL	12%
	2018: 61%			EoE, THV	78%	NE	18%
	2019: 57%			LDN (N, C & E)	71%	EMD	30%
Q2: Does this include thrombolysis for acute ischaemic stroke?	2016: 87%		+1%	9/15 regions	100%	THV	43%
	2017: 88%			Y & H	95%	SCO	50%
	2018: 87%			LDN (N, C & E)	80%	NW	78%
	2019: 88%						
Q3: What is the extent of your involvement?	2018:	2019:					
• Office hrs only:	13%	11%	-2%	EMD, NE WAL	100%	7/15 regions	0%
• Office + part O/H:	49%	45%	-4%	WMD	82%	5/15 regions	0%
• Full 24 hrs:	38%	44%	+3%	KSS	100%	EMD, NE, SCO, WAL	0%
Q4: What is the format of your out of office hours neurology/thrombolysis on call?	2018:	2019:					
• On call:	78%	81%	+3%	KSS, WAL WES	100%	THV	33%
• Part Shift:	9%	7%	-2%	THV	22%	6/15 regions	0%
• Full Shift:	7%	5%	-2%	SW	17%	8/15 regions	0%
• No O/H:	6%	7%	+1%	THV	44%	6/15 regions	0%
Q5: Please indicate the number of clinics completed each week.	2018:	2019:					
	0: 8%	7%	-1%	THV	22%	6/15 regions	0%
	1: 15%	11%	-4%	KSS	56%	4/15 regions	0%
	2: 38%	43%	+5%	SW	67%	EMD	0%
	3: 30%	30%	+0%	NW, Y & H	48%	EMD, THV	11%
	>3: 8%	9%	+1%	EMD	50%	5/15 regions	0%

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Q6: Please indicate the number of new patients seen in an average clinic.	2018: 2019: 0: 7% 5% 1-2: 16% 17% 3-4: 50% 52% 5-6: 24% 23% >6: 3% 4%	-2% +1% +2% -1% +1%	EoE	17%	9/15 regions	0%
			LDN (Sth)	50%	EoE	0%
			NE	82%	WMD	33%
			WMD	43%	NE	9%
			WMD	14%	9/15 regions	0%
Q7: Please indicate the number of follow up patients seen in an average clinic.	2018: 2019: 0: 11% 8% 1-2: 16% 19% 3-4: 39% 40% 5-6: 20% 23% 7-8: 9% 7% >8: 4% 3%	-3% +3% +1% +3% -2% -1%	WMD	24%	6/15 regions	0%
			THV	56%	NIR	0%
			NIR	100%	THV	22%
			SW	42%	5/15 regions	0%
			EMD	20%	7/15 regions	0%
			NW	13%	11/15 regions	0%
Q8. The 2010 curriculum requires trainees to complete at least 12 months' training in a District General Hospital (DGH) type setting. Are you confident this training requirement can be completed in your training scheme?	2016: 94% 2017: 97% 2018: 96% 2019: 92%	-4%	7/16 regions	100%	NIR	37%
			NW	96%		
			EoE	94%		
			LDN (N, C & E)	93%		
			LDN (Sth)	90%		
			WMD, Y & H	90%		
			SCO	84%		

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Q9: The 2010 curriculum encourages trainees to complete a 3 month acting up role in preparation for becoming a consultant. Are you confident this training opportunity is available in your training scheme?	Yes: 2016: 72% 2017: 66% 2018: 67% 2019: 69%		+2%	NW 96% KSS, WAL 87% SW 83% WMD 81% SCO 79% NE 73%	NIR 37% THV 44% LDN (N, C & E) 50% LDN (Sth) 60% EoE 61% WES 62% EMD 70%		
Q10: Have you applied for an OOPE in the last 12 months? <ul style="list-style-type: none">No:Approved:Declined:No decision:	2018: 89% 8% 2% 2%	2019: 86% 9% 2% 3%	-3% +1% +0% +1%	SCO 95% KSS 27% WAL 12% EMD 9%	KSS 67% NE, WAL 0% 10/15 regions 0% 10/15 regions 0%		
Q11: Do you believe your OOPE application was declined primarily due to clinical service commitments? <ul style="list-style-type: none">Yes:No:Not sureNot applicable	2018: 75% 0% 0% 25%	2019: 25% 75% 0% 0%	-50% +75% + 0% -25%	(Data only for 4 regions) LDN (Sth), NE, NW 100% Y & H 100%			
Q12: Does your training programme include a three month period of acting up as a consultant for all trainees? <ul style="list-style-type: none">Yes:No:Not sure:Not applicable:	2018: 15% 22% 60% 3%	2019: 18% 19% 60% 3%	+ 3% - 3% + 0% + 0%	NW 52% NE 45% EMD 80% THV 11%	NIR, THV, WES 0% EMD 0% SCO 37% 10/15 regions 0%		

Deanery / LETB	Year	N=	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12
Health Education East Midlands	2018	13	23	100						100	100			46
	2019	10	30	100						100	70			20
Health Education East of England	2018	18	89	100						89	89		100	0
	2019	18	78	100						94	61			6
Health Education Kent, Surrey & Sussex	2018	17	35	100						100	100		100	12
	2019	15	40	100						100	87			7
Health Education London (North, Central & East)	2018	33	76	76						100	100		100	6
	2019	42	71	80						93	50			7
Health Education London (North West)	2018	0	0	0						0	0			0
	2019	0	0	0						0	0			0
Health Education London (South)	2018	21	76	100						95	95			15
	2019	20	90	100						90	60			15
Health Education North East	2018	13	0	0						92	92			0
	2019	11	18	100						100	73			9
Health Education North West	2018	22	45	80						100	100			32
	2019	23	39	78						96	96			52
Health Education South West	2018	16	63	90						100	100			19
	2019	12	67	100						100	83			42
Health Education Thames Valley	2018	11	73	25						100	100			9
	2019	9	78	43						100	44			0
Health Education Wessex	2018	7	100	100						100	100			43
	2019	8	100	100						100	62			0
Health Education West Midlands	2018	16	75	100						94	94			6
	2019	21	52	100						90	81			19
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	2018	28	75	90						93	93			4
	2019	31	68	95						90	68			6
NHS Education for Scotland	2018	22	32	57						91	91			41
	2019	19	32	0						84	79			47
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	2018	8	100	100						88	88			13
	2019	8	0	50						37	37			0
Wales Deanery	2018	8	50	100						100	100			13
	2019	8	12	100						100	87			25

* No data available for Defence Postgraduate Medical Deanery for either 2018 or 2019 so not included in the above table

** Questions 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10 are excluded as the questions are not yes/no or strongly agree/disagree.

0-50% of trainees in agreement in 2019	51-75% of trainees in agreement in 2019	76-100% of trainees in agreement in 2019
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