# 2019 NATIONAL TRAINEE SURVEY RESULTS

PALLIATIVE MEDICINE

SPECIALTY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS

**NOVEMBER 2019** 

### 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.

185 Palliative Medicine trainees (56 ST3s, 45 ST4s, 39 ST5s and 45 ST6s) completed the 2019 survey. This was an overall increase of 7% (12 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
Health Education East Midlands	15	16	+ 7%
Health Education East of England	11	12	+ 9%
Health Education N, C & E London	11	14	+ 27%
Health Education North East	9	12	+ 33%
Health Education North West	18	16	- 11%
Health Education NW London	0	0	+ 0%
Health Education South London	35	36	+ 3%
Health Education South West	7	9	+ 29%
Health Education Thames Valley	5	5	+ 0%
Health Education Wessex	7	4	- 43%
Health Education West Midlands	15	12	- 20%
Health Education Yorkshire and the Humber	15	17	+ 13%
Health Education and Improvement Wales	9	12	+ 33%
NHS Education for Scotland	12	12	+ 0%
Northern Ireland Medical & Dental Training Agency	4	8	+100%
Total	173	185	+ 7%

Reduction of >10% of trainees completing the NTS in 2019 compared to 2018



## **Specialty Specific Questions**

Specialty Specific Questions (Palliative Medicine)	% trainees agreeing overall	2018/2019 Difference	Agreement High	est	Agreement Lo	% difference [Range]	
1) My training to date has prepared me to manage patients independently out of hours (ST5, ST6)	2018: 100% 2019: 100%	+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)	2018: 80% 2019: 79%	-1%	NE, Yorks & Humber London (South) North West Northern Ireland EoE ,LDN(N,C&E), Wal East Midlands	100% 94% 86% 80% 75% 70%	South West Wessex West Midlands Thames Valley Scotland	40% 50% 60% 66% 67%	60% [40-100]
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)	2018: 71% 2019: 71%	+0%	Scotland LDN (South), Wales West Midlands LDN (N, C & E) East Midlands Yorks & Humber	100% 88% 80% 75% 70% 67%	Thames Valley South West EoE, Wessex North West Northern Ireland North East	33% 40% 50% 57% 60% 66%	67% [33-100]
4) I am confident in planning and delivering a range of educational sessions (ST5, ST6)	2018: 98% 2019: 96%	-2%	11/14 regions	100%	Thames Valley East Midlands London (South)	67% 90% 94%	33% [67-100]
5) I feel that I can make an informed choice about the type of consultant post I would like to obtain (ST5, ST6)	2018: 92% 2019: 95%	+3%	11/14 regions	100%	Wessex Thames Valley East Midlands	50% 67% 80%	50% [50-100]
6) The <b>HANDOVER</b> of on-call patients across care settings in this post ensures continuity of care for patients <b>(ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)</b>	2018: 86% 2019: 87%	+1%	EMD, NE, NW Wales, WMD Yorks & Humber Northern Ireland LDN (N, C & E)	100% 92% 89% 88% 85%	South West EOE, Wessex Thames Valley LDN (South) Scotland	66% 75% 80% 81% 83%	34% [66-100]

# **JRCPTB**

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Specialty Specific Questions (Palliative Medicine)	% tra	inees over	agreeing all	2018/2019 Difference	Agreement Highest		Agreement Lo	% difference [Range]	
7) The HANDBACK of on-call patients across care settings in this post ensures continuity of care for patients (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)		2018: 8 2019: 8		+3%	NW, Wessex LDN (N, C, E), NE, WN East Midlands Wales Scotland, Y& H	100% MD 92% 88% 84% 83%	South West EoE Northern Ireland London (South) Thames Valley	66% 75% 76% 78% 80%	34% [66-100]
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)	0: 1-3: 4-6: 7-10: >10:	2018 11 40 24 16 9	2019 8 37 30 18 8	- <b>3%</b> - <b>3%</b> +6% +2% - <b>1%</b>	EoE Northern Ireland LDN (N, C, & E) Thames Valley Wales	25% 88% 57% 40% 25%	5/14 regions Wales Thames Valley NI, Scotland 7/14 regions	0% 17% 0% 0% 0%	25 71 57 40 25
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)		2018 11 52 28 4 5	2019 15 46 30 5	+4% - <b>6%</b> +2% +1%	EoE, Wessex North West Thames Valley Thames Valley Yorks & Humber	50% 88% 60% 20% 12%	4/14 regions Wessex North West 7/14 regions 10/14 regions	0% 0% 6% 0%	50 88 54 20 12
10) I feel I've had sufficient on-call experience managing unstable patients (ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6)		2018: 9 2019: 9		+0%	5/14 regions NE, West Midlands LDN (South), SW	100% 92% 89%	EoE, Scotland Wales North West, NI	83% 84% 88%	17% [83-100]



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
4	Health Education North East	2018	9	100	100	100	100	100	89	89	100
4		2019	12	100	100	66	100	100	100	92	100
3	Health Education Yorkshire and Humber	2018	15	100	90	60	100	80	93	80	100
4		2019	17	100	100	67	100	100	89	83	100
4	Health Education North Western	2018	18	100	100	91	100	100	89	89	100
4		2019	16	100	86	57	100	100	100	100	88
2	Health Education London (North Central and East)	2018	11	100	67	67	100	84	81	81	72
4		2019	14	100	75	75	100	100	85	92	100
3	Health Education London (South)	2018	35	100	74	69	96	91	89	89	94
3		2019	36	100	94	88	94	100	81	78	89
2	Health Education and Improvement Wales	2018	9	100	100	67	100	67	89	78	78
3		2019	12	100	75	88	100	100	92	84	84
2	NHS Education for Scotland	2018	12	100	67	67	100	100	75	92	75
2		2019	12	100	67	100	100	100	83	83	83
2	Health Education West Midlands	2018	15	100	63	76	100	100	73	67	100
2		2019	12	100	60	80	100	100	92	92	92
1	Health Education East Midlands	2018	15	100	67	67	84	83	86	54	100
2		2019	16	100	70	70	90	80	100	88	100
1	Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency	2018	4	100	100	50	100	100	75	50	75
2		2019	8	100	80	60	100	100	88	76	88
3	Health Education East of England	2018	11	100	83	83	100	84	91	91	81
1		2019	12	100	75	50	100	100	75	75	83
4	Health Education Wessex	2018	7	100	100	75	100	100	86	85	100
1		2019	4	100	50	50	100	50	75	100	100
1	Health Education South Western	2018	7	100	25	0	100	100	100	100	100
1		2019	9	100	40	40	100	100	66	66	89
4	Health Education Thames Valley	2018	5	100	100	100	100	100	80	100	100
1		2019	5	100	66	33	67	67	80	80	100

0-50% overall agreement in 2019	51-75% overall agreement in 2019	76-100% overall agreement in 2019

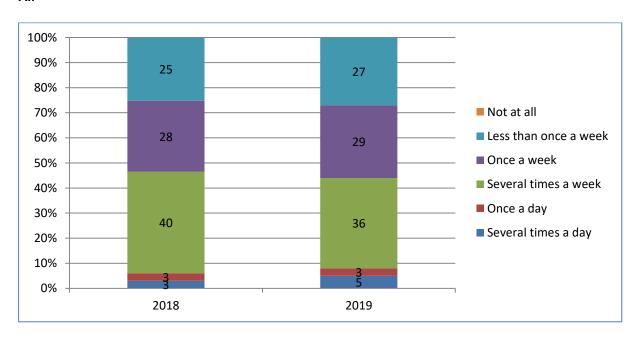
Questions 8 and 9 not included.



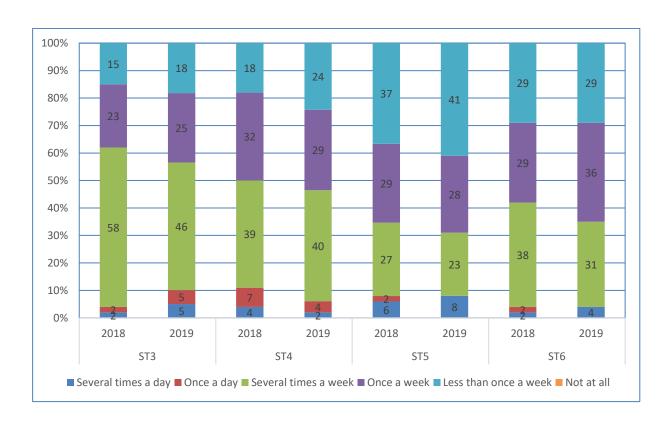
## 11) On average over the past year, how frequently have you had the opportunity to see patients with consultants?

(This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6) 2018: n=173, 2019: n=185

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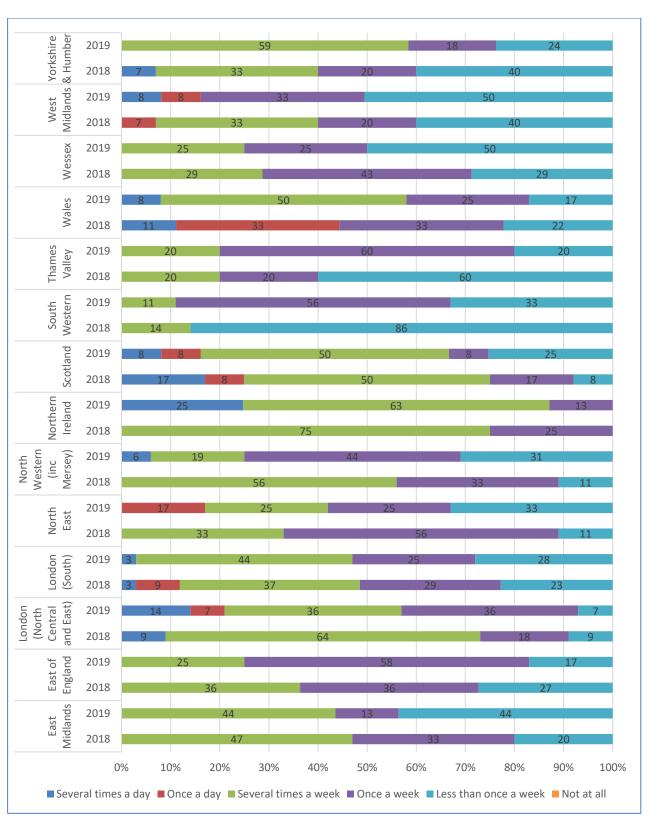


#### Grade





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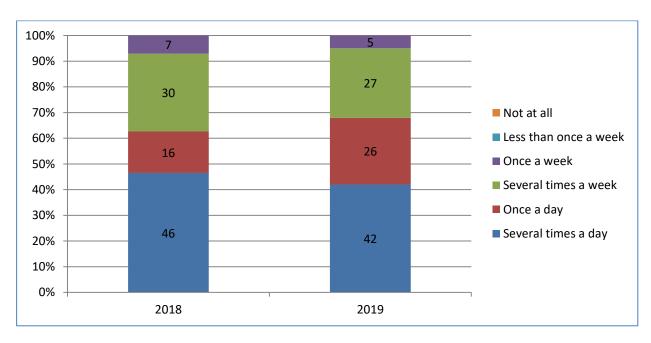




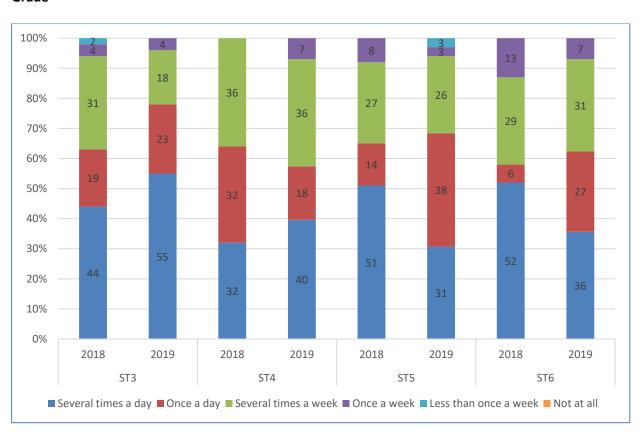
## 12) On average over the past year, how frequently have you had the opportunity to discuss individual patients with consultants?

(This question was presented to trainees of the following grades: ST3, ST4, ST5, ST6) 2018: n=173, 2019: n=185

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