

Sudden death of doctors in training

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The death of any individual is distressing, this is even more so when the death is unexpected or deliberate, as in suicide. Postgraduate Deans have a responsibility and duty of care to doctors in training.

As the health service finds itself under unprecedented pressure and demand, all members of the health and care team experience correspondingly higher levels of work intensity and so this issue is in sharper focus than ever before.

The documents on this page have been written to provide guidance for those tragic occasions when doctors in training have died unexpectedly. Its purpose is to provide a framework to support Postgraduate Deans and their teams to respond promptly, comprehensively and appropriately in these circumstances. The documents deal with a particularly difficult set of issues and very difficult circumstances.

Health and Well-being On line Resources

NHS Employers

Head First: Mental health and well being resource specifically for ambulance services. This focuses on prevention and action following an "incident" and has been developed in conjunction with MIND.
<http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/plan/ambulance-workforce/head...> [6]

How are you feeling today: NHS emotional well being toolkit, developed in conjunction with Robertson Cooper following research in the NHS
http://www.nhsemployers.org/howareyoufeelingnhs?utm_source=health%20and%... [7]

NHS Employers health and well being web pages: <http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/retain-and-improve/staff-expe...> [8] These include details of our 7 essentials for health and well being in the NHS.

PHE suicide prevention and postvention toolkits

https://wellbeing.bitc.org.uk/sites/default/files/business_in_the_commun... [9]

Suicide Prevention

https://wellbeing.bitc.org.uk/all-resources/toolkits?toolkit_key=&&&page=1 [10]

Suicide Mitigation in Primary Care

<http://www.connectingwithpeople.org/sites/default/files/SuicideMitigatio...> [11]

Suicide amongst anaesthetists 2019

Anaesthetists are thought to have an increased incidence of suicide, and therefore the Association of Anaesthetists has developed specific guidance to help support their colleagues. HEE fully supports the approach as stated in their guidance document Suicide amongst anaesthetists 2019 [12]

Related Documents

- Sudden Death of Doctors in Training (.pdf) 269.04 KB [13]
- Statement of Intent sudden death of Doctors In Training Feb 2018 (.pdf) 141.63 KB [14]
- Sudden Deaths of Junior Doctors In Training Review Process for PGDs June 2018 (.pdf) 97 KB [15]
- Checklist - Death of doctor in Training (.pdf) 70.12 KB [16]
- GMC Death notification form (.pdf) 570.7 KB [17]

Related Content

Mental Wellbeing Report

The HEE draft Health and Care Workforce Strategy for England to 2027 - Facing the Facts, Shaping the Future - announced a new Commission on the mental wellbeing of NHS staff and learners.

[Read more \[18\]](#)

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[2] <https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/>

[3] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/>

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http://www.connectingwithpeople.org/sites/default/files/SuicideMitigationInPrimaryCareFactsheet_0612.pdf

[12] <https://anaesthetists.org/Home/Resources-publications/Guidelines/Suicide-amongst-anaesthetists-2019>

[13] <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Sudden%20Death%20of%20Doctors%20in%20Training-L-1S58VP2.pdf>

[14] <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Statement%20of%20Intent%20%20sudden%20death%20of%20>

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[16] <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/Checklist%20-%20Death%20of%20doctor%20in%20Training.pdf>

[17] <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/documents/GMC%20Death%20notification%20form.pdf>

[18] <https://www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/mental-wellbeing-report>