

# Training in the independent sector for NHS doctors



The NHS is committed to the training of its workforce. With the Covid-19 pandemic, this is more important than ever. Training recovery and education need to be flexible for doctors in training.

Whilst we all know that training predominantly occurs in NHS settings, it is also vital that training opportunities are not lost when some NHS funded care is delivered in independent sector hospitals.

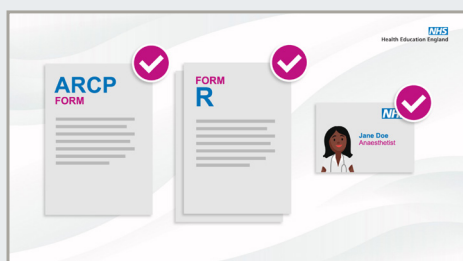


For this reason, doctors in training, whilst caring for NHS patients within an independent sector provider, will be able to gain additional practical experience.

## Eligibility

These opportunities are open to all doctors in training within a recognised specialty training programme and will be integrated into standard training programmes. They will be of particular interest for surgical, medical, ophthalmology and anaesthesia doctors in training.





## Gaining Access

In order to gain access you'll need just 3 key pieces of information:

- The most recent ARCP form
  - Both parts of form R
  - ID such as your NHS trust identification badge.
- These may be provided via a secure online platform or in a hard copy if needed.

**Whilst undertaking training in the independent sector, there are some important considerations you'll need to be aware of...**

## Educational Governance

As it works within the NHS, all doctors in training, including those within core training, will be given appropriate levels of supervision tailored to meet their individual needs, by recognised clinical or educational supervisors employed by the NHS.



## Accountability

This will also be the same as the NHS. Your Consultant supervisor remains the clinician with overall responsibility for the care of the patient being treated and the postgraduate dean remains responsible for the quality of education and training.

## Indemnity

Doctors in training who have followed all steps are covered by NHS indemnity. But, like in NHS settings, we strongly advise that you hold personal indemnity cover as well.



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