

**Trainers' Group Minutes – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2019**

**Present:** Julian Page, Rachel Jesudas, Ali Majid, Donna-Lea Miller, Sadiyah Kauser, Reuban Pratheepan, Nick Walton, Nick Pendleton, Kamran Khan

**Apologies:** Nathan Goldrick, Sumit Guhathakurta, John Tabor, Raza Akram, Ian Hamer

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**1. Responsibilities of ES and CS with respect to looking at eportfolio during a GP Placement.**

The ES is mainly responsible for looking at learning log entries during the placement but the CS may wish to look at learning logs relating to something significant that has happened during the placement. It would be a good idea for the ES and CS to communicate with each other at the start of the placement to agree what their approach is going to be.

**2. Support for Trainees who fail the AKT for first time**

The package of support for Trainees arranged by HEE (NW) and supported by 14Fish is now available to all Trainees who have failed the AKT. This was previously only available to Trainees who were on extension. The next 1 day AKT course is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Contact [helen.dykstra@hee.nhs.uk](mailto:helen.dykstra@hee.nhs.uk)

**3. The new Prescribing Exercise for ST3s**

The RCGP is running a mandatory pilot for all ST3 Trainees who will be full-time in August 2019. The exercise will take place in January 2020.

In summary:

- The trainee searches on their last 60 retrospective prescriptions
- Using the prescribing manual, the trainee reviews these prescriptions and maps them against potential prescribing errors
- The GP trainer / Supervisor reviews 20 of these prescriptions, maps these against potential errors and adds these to the spreadsheet (*this could be done by the practice pharmacist*)
- The trainee completes the trainee reflection form in the ePortfolio and in particular reflects on their prescribing using the GP prescribing proficiencies
- The trainee and GP trainer / Supervisor complete the assessment using the GP trainer/ Supervisor assessment form found in the ePortfolio
- Both the trainee and GP trainer / Supervisor complete and submit the questionnaires
- The trainee uploads the anonymised spreadsheet to their learning log

Full details can be found here:

<https://www.rcgp.org.uk/training-exams/training/mrcgp-workplace-based-assessment-wpba/prescribing-assessment.aspx>

### 4. Supported Return to Work

In order to support Trainees who are coming back to work after a break there is now a process for managing this safely. It concerns any Trainee who has been off for longer than 3 months. The longer they have been off the more support is recommended. It includes a structured discussion before going off and before coming back, phased returns, assessments during the phased return and a decision about whether to return to normal working. These discussions are already happening and are mainly done by NP and the Hospital Clinical Supervisors. Please do an ESR before a Trainee goes on maternity leave. A phased return is not counted as part of training but is paid normally. Full details are here:

<https://www.nwpgmd.nhs.uk/supported-return-to-training>

### 5. Difficult or Challenging Trainees

None of the attendees had a particular Trainee that they wished to discuss so there was some general discussion about the JD contract, how GP Training and Trainees have evolved over the years and recruitment and retention of the GP workforce.

**The next Trainers group** is scheduled for Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 7pm at the Education Centre. Trainers Group webpage [http://boltongptraining.org.uk/?page\\_id=50](http://boltongptraining.org.uk/?page_id=50)