

OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY BST PROGRAMME:

Basic Specialist Training in O&G is a three year programme of supervised clinical training, 2 years of which are spent in Senior House Officer (SHO) posts and the final year in a Registrar post.

Applications can be made to one or all of 5 Hubs, The Coombe, The Rotunda, National Maternity Hospital, Galway/Limerick, Cork UMH. Each of these Hubs includes rotations through a number of hospital sites.

You will be placed on a rotation and will know in advance what posts you will be working in for the first two years. The combination of posts ensures a broad exposure to Obstetrics and Gynaecology over the three years. Your rotation will incorporate the following core elements:

- Not more than six months is spent in any one SHO post
- There is an on-call commitment in Obstetrics, Gynaecology or combined Obstetrics and Gynaecology for the full three years
- The third year is spent in a Junior Registrar post - there will be a competitive interview for these posts.

In addition to supervised clinical training in the hospital, you are required to attend a number of mandatory courses that will help you to develop professionally and acquire the non-clinical skills and knowledge needed to provide excellent patient care. There are scheduled study days throughout the year which are mandatory to attend. You are required to pass the MRCPI examination in Obstetrics & Gynaecology in order to obtain your certificate of completion in BST Obstetrics & Gynaecology.

You should have a named trainer for each post on your rotation programme. Their role is to support and regularly assess your progress.

During your time in the BST programme you are required to maintain an up-to-date ePortfolio as this is an official record of satisfactory completion of training.

Training Pathway:

The common training pathway in Obstetrics & Gynaecology requires completion of a three-year Basic Specialist Training programme in Obstetrics & Gynaecology. Following completion of the Basic Specialist Training programme doctors are eligible to apply and must compete for entry to a five year higher specialist training programme.

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