

RCPI Training Post Quality Assurance Survey  
Participant Information Leaflet



### Why survey Trainees?

RCPI is seeking feedback from all their trainees about their training experience. This will help RCPI to improve postgraduate training, conduct site inspections, decide trainee allocations and identify areas for future research. The Training Post Quality Assurance survey will be launched in June 2016 and will run annually.

### How to take part

If you are an RCPI trainee (BST or HST), you will be invited via email to complete the survey in Survey Monkey. If you do not receive an email, please follow these links to the survey:

HST Survey <http://svy.mk/1Xr04bh>

BST Survey <http://svy.mk/1sHykCD>

The survey will take about 10 minutes to complete. You will be asked to evaluate each rotation completed this year - your interaction with trainers, satisfaction with the training provided, site facilities and working environment. Participation in the survey is voluntary.

### Is it anonymous?

To encourage trainees to participate and provide honest feedback, the survey is anonymous. The research team has put in place mechanisms to protect and safely store the survey data and to protect your anonymity.

- No identifiable information will be collected (e.g. name, date of birth, RCPI number).
- If any identifiable information is entered into the survey (e.g. in the free text sections), it will be removed and will not be used in any research outputs.
- Only members of the RCPI Research Team will have access to the survey data. Data will be stored securely in a password protected folder on the RCPI Research Drive.
- To ensure the anonymity of trainees who may have completed rotations in smaller sites or specialities, analysis of data at site or post level will not be conducted until 2 years of data has been collected and no specialties or sites with fewer than 5 participants will be identified.

### What if completing the survey causes me distress?

We don't envisage that participation will cause you any distress, but if you become distressed by any of the issues raised in the survey, follow this link RCPI's wellbeing supports for doctors <https://www.rcpi.ie/physician-wellbeing/>.

**What will happen to the data?**

The anonymised survey data will be held indefinitely in RCPI in order to enable RCPI to measure changes in trainee satisfaction with specific training posts and sites over time. The survey data will be used to develop reports, presentations and will be used in-house by RCPI to strengthen postgraduate training. Research findings will also be published in national and international journals. Trainees will be updated on all research findings and research outputs via the RCPI website and the Physician Network.

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National level results will also be available on this site in late 2016. If you have any questions about the survey, please email the RCPI research team [research@rcpi.ie](mailto:research@rcpi.ie).