

Important notice for CT3s approaching ARCP who have not yet passed the CASC

Dear fellow trainee,

Due to the nature of the higher specialist training recruitment process this year, there are a number of you were unable to apply for higher training posts due to not having passed the CASC at the first sitting in January, and are unable to re-sit until June.

The second round of recruitment to higher specialist training will take place in the Autumn and we are aware that many of you are uncertain as to what is going to happen in terms of your employment from August onwards. This has understandably led to significant distress and uncertainty for some trainees.

In light of this, the Psychiatric Trainees' Committee has worked closely with the Professor Rob Howard, Dean of the Royal College of Psychiatrists and Professor Jacky Hayden, Lead Dean for Psychiatry, in order to develop guidance for deaneries on facilitating trainees in this situation, via the ARCP process. This guidance has been approved by COPMED (Conference of Postgraduate Medical Deans).

The guidance is summarised in the flowchart below. If you are uncertain as to what is happening in your individual deanery, we suggest that you contact your Head of School.

With best wishes,

Josie

Dr Josie Jenkinson
Chair, Psychiatric Trainees Committee

Trainees who have not passed the CASC at the end of ST3

