

JCST Trainee Survey Questions

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Generic Questions (Section 2)		
Number	Question text	Answer options
1	Was there usually a post-acute take consultant ward round?	Y/N N/A
2	Did you routinely participate in pre-operative briefings with use of the WHO checklist or equivalent?	Y/N
3	Were you only asked to undertake unsupervised procedures in which you had been trained?	Y/N
4	Were you given appropriate responsibility for your level of training?	Y/N
5	Are any elective sessions combined with on call commitment such that the elective sessions are frequently compromised?	Y/N N/A
6	Were you regularly required to undertake routine clinical work that prevented the acquisition of new skills?	Y/N
7	Did you regularly miss training opportunities in order to provide cover for absent colleagues or fill rota gaps?	Y/N
8	Did the clinical work intensity allow sufficient time for consultant teaching and training?	Y/N
9	Was there enough clinical work in the unit to support the number of trainees working there?	Y/N
10	In this post, were you personally subjected to behaviour by others that undermined your professional confidence or self esteem?	Y/N
11	In this post, have you witnessed bullying or harassment behaviour?	Y/N
12	a) Have you ever considered training less than fulltime? b) If yes to a) above, did you decide to train less than fulltime?	Y/N Y/N/N/A
13	In an average week (excluding leave, on-call, compensatory rest)... a) How many consultant supervised theatre sessions did you attend (including elective and emergency/CEPOD theatre work)? (½ day list = 1 session, all day list = 2 sessions) b) How many consultant supervised outpatients sessions did you attend? c) Do you think your placement provided sufficient opportunity to undertake Workplace Based Assessments (WBAs)?	0/1/2/3/4/5/>5 0/1/2/3/4/5/>5 Y/N

	d) On average, how long after the event was the assessment undertaken and entered onto the ISCP? e) Was there sufficient support from your supervisors to enable you to complete the workplace-based assessments?	At the same time/The same day/The same week/2-4 weeks later/More than 1 month later Y/N
14	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?: I have been provided with meaningful feedback on the basis of a Multiple Consultant Report.	Strongly agree/Agree/Neither agree nor disagree/Disagree/Strongly disagree
15	On average, did you receive an equivalent of 2 hours formal teaching per week? For example, locally/regionally/nationally provided teaching, educational induction, simulation training, specialty meetings, journal clubs, x-ray meetings, MDT meetings.	Y/N
16	Were you able to attend emergency theatre regularly (e.g. CEPOD, trauma lists)?	Y/N N/A
17	Did the presence of another fellow or trainee frequently compromise/compete for your learning opportunities in this post?	Y/N
18	In the past year, have you received technical skills simulation training? (This could include cadaveric and animal tissue, task trainers, laparoscopic boxes and high fidelity simulators).	Y/N N/A
19	Did you have access to a skills centre, skills room or take-home equipment for practice: a) During normal working hours? b) Outside of normal working hours?	Y/N N/A Y/N N/A
20	In the past year, have you received non-technical skills/human factors simulation training? (This could include ward or theatre-based communication skills training, case-based scenarios, patient case conferences and team training).	Y/N/N/A
21	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training on ward rounds (including pre-op cases)?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
22	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training in outpatients?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
23	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training in the operating theatre?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
24	In outpatients did you regularly see new patients?	Y/N
25	During an average week how many MDTs did you attend?	0/1/2/3/4/5+

26	Did you have the opportunity to contribute to management or leadership at any level, e.g. rota management, trainee representative on hospital/deanery/Local NHSE Office committees, involvement in service development?	Y/N
27	Did you experience any difficulties relating to the geographical location of this training post?	Y/N
28	Did you experience any difficulties with access to administrative/secretarial support in this training post?	Y/N/N/A
29	Did you receive the equivalent of half a day per week in your timetable to allow for personal study, audit and research?	Y/N/N/A
30	Are you able to report exceptions to your work schedule? (Trainees in England)	Y/N
31	Would you recommend this attachment to other trainees at the same level?	Y/N
Cardiothoracic Surgery Phase1+ (ST1+) (Section 3)		
1	Have you received training in vascular access and percutaneous hybrid procedures?	Y/N/N/A
2	If your current placement is in thoracic surgery, have you received specialist training in: a) Anatomical resections using video assisted thoracoscopic surgery? b) Surgery for Emphysema? c) Surgery for Mesothelioma?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A
3	If your current training is in cardiac surgery, have you received training in: a) Mitral valve repair? b) Aortic valve repair? c) Transplantation? d) Circulatory support techniques? e) Minimally invasive cardiac surgery?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A

4	What is your special interest within cardiothoracic surgery? Adult Cardiac Adult Thoracic Paediatrics Adult Congenital Transplantation Academic Undecided Other	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
5	Do you get adequate ICU training and experience to facilitate the perioperative management of patients?	Y/N/N/A
General Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 4)		
1	What is your special interest within general surgery? Breast Surgery Transplant Surgery Endocrine Surgery Vascular Surgery Trauma Surgery General Surgery of Childhood Remote and Rural Surgery Colorectal Surgery Upper GI Surgery Emergency General Surgery	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
2	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N
3	Are the following included in the on-call activity in this post: a) Paediatric emergencies? b) Urological emergencies?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A
Question 4 is only for trainees with a special interest in colorectal or upper gastrointestinal surgery:		
4	Are you given endoscopy training in this post?	Yes, regularly/Yes, but ad hoc with no fixed timetabling/No
OMFS Phase 1 (ST1 or ST2) (Section 5)		
1	Did you meet with the OMFS TPD during your placement?	Formally as part of interim review or final ARCP / Informally / No

2	How many formal meetings did you have with the OMFS TPD during your placement	0/1/2/3/More than 3
3	Did you encounter any issues in discussing the move from ST1 to ST3 at the beginning of your ST1 year with any of your trainers (TPD or other)?	Y/N/N/A
4	If you are an ST2 trainee, was progression to the ST2 training year planned from the beginning of your specialty training?	Y/N/N/A
5	Has your placement helped you to prepare for entry to ST3 in OMFS?	Y/N
6	Did you have the opportunity to undertake any OMFS-specific training, teaching or courses during your placement?	Y/N
Paediatric Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 6)		
1	Are you planning to develop or do you have a special interest within paediatric surgery?	Y/N/N/A
2	If you answered 'yes' to question 1, what is your area of sub-specialty interest, or what do you plan to develop into?	Colorectal / Upper GI / Hepatobiliary / Oncology / Urology / Thoracic / As yet undecided / Other
3	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N
Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 7)		
1	In this post, have you attended one or more trauma calls as a member of the trauma team?	Y/N/N/A
2	In this post, did you have access to managing paediatric orthopaedic trauma cases (15 years and under)?	Y/N/N/A
3	Do you feel that your training in this post was adversely affected by winter pressures?	Y/N/N/A
4	During the last 12 months has your period of training been extended through the ARCP process, solely because of logbook deficiencies related to "winter bed pressures"? <i>"Winter bed pressures" is defined as a sustained period of reduced elective operating due to seasonal factors extending over at least six weeks.</i>	Y/N/N/A
Urology Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 8)		
1	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N/N/A
2	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. My training rotation provides sufficient experience/exposure to paediatric urology to meet the requirements of the curriculum.	Strongly agree / Agree/ Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree

3	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. My training rotation provides sufficient experience/exposure to female urology to meet the requirements of the curriculum.	Strongly agree / Agree / Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree
Vascular Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 9)		
1	Did you have a dedicated interventional radiology list in this post?	Y/N/N/A
2	How many dedicated peripheral interventional sessions did you attend per month?	0 / 1 / 2 / 3-4 / 5-6 / 7-8 / >8
3	How many dedicated venous sessions did you attend per month?	0 / 1 / 2 / 3-4 / 5-6 / 7-8 / >8
Less than full-time trainees (Section 10)		
1	In which year were you appointed to this training programme?	Before 2006 / 2006 / 2007 / 2008 / 2009 / 2010 / 2011 / 2012 / 2013 / 2014 / 2015 / 2016 / 2017 / 2018 / 2019/2020/2021/2022/2023/2024/2025
2	In which year did you become a LTFT trainee?	Before 2006 / 2006 / 2007 / 2008 / 2009 / 2010 / 2011 / 2012 / 2013 / 2014 / 2015 / 2016 / 2017 / 2018 / 2019/2020/2021/2022/2023/2024/2025
3	How long did it take to obtain a LTFT training slot?	0-6 months/6-12 months/More than 1 year
4	Do you consider that this was prolonged?	Y/N
5	Does your deanery/Local NHSE Office or training programme have an identified person who is responsible for LTFT training?	Y/N
6	Do you believe that your TPD understands and is sympathetic to the needs of a LTFT trainee?	Y/N
7	Do you consider that training less than fulltime may affect your future career prospects?	Y/N
8	Please indicate the proportion of time that you currently work:	<50%, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%
9	Who determined the proportion of time that you work?	You/Deanery/Local NHSE Office/TPD
10	If this was not determined by you, are you happy with the training time that you have been given?	Y/N N/A
11	Are you: a) In a job-sharing arrangement with another trainee? b) Working LTFT in a post normally occupied by a full time trainee (instead of a full time trainee)? c) Working LTFT as a supernumary member of your surgical team (not in a job share, not in an established but vacant training post)?	

12	Have you experienced problems accessing any of the following sessions? Consultant ward rounds Outpatient clinics Elective operating lists Emergency operating lists MDT or equivalent Research / audit	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
13	Have you needed to work additional (non-paid) sessions to achieve specific clinical aims (e.g. endoscopy training, special interest training)?	Y/N
14	Are your fixed sessions all undertaken with the same consultant? If No - How many different consultants do you work with?	2, 3, 4, 5, >5
15	Does your current post include an out of hours on call commitment? If No: a) Is this through choice? b) Is it because the Trust is unwilling to fund on call time for you?	Y/N Y/N N/A Y/N N/A
16	Is the level of your on call commitment sufficient to retain your on call competencies?	Y/N N/A
17	As a LTFT trainee, have you experienced problems with any of the following? a) A lack of support/understanding about LTFT training by consultant trainers b) Adverse attitudes to your position and needs by fulltime trainees c) Allocation to sessions with fewer or inferior training opportunities in favour of fulltime trainees d) Negotiating a learning agreement with achievable objectives/goals e) Inappropriate expectations at ARCP f) Achieving your competencies g) Disproportionately less exposure to skills/simulation training than fulltime trainees	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N

Academic Trainees (Section 11)		
1	Are there any factors that have adversely affected your academic progress?	Y/N
2	How many abstracts/presentations have you made to national or international meetings over the last 12 months?	0/1/2/3/4/5/>5
3	Did the academic component of your post meet your expectations?	Y/N
4	Do you feel that you made appropriate progress in your clinical training during your post?	Y/N
5	If no to the question above, why not?	Text box

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¹The ISCP includes the 'live' questions for the trainee survey (access is for trainees undertaking UK training programmes) and a reporting tool which shows the results with each corresponding question (access is for individuals undertaking specified roles e.g. SAC Chair). A report of overall findings is published on the JCST website

² Previous year continued on next page. Survey section numbering differs between survey years. In 2024/25 some questions and sections are removed following work by JCST QA Group to shorten the survey.

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3	Were you only asked to undertake unsupervised procedures in which you had been trained?	Y/N
4	Were you given appropriate responsibility for your level of training?	Y/N
5	Are any elective sessions combined with on call commitment such that the elective sessions are frequently compromised?	Y/N N/A
6	Were you regularly required to undertake routine clinical work that prevented the acquisition of new skills?	Y/N
7	Did you regularly miss training opportunities in order to provide cover for absent colleagues or fill rota gaps?	Y/N
8	Did the clinical work intensity allow sufficient time for consultant teaching and training?	Y/N
9	Was there enough clinical work in the unit to support the number of trainees working there?	Y/N
10	In this post, were you personally subjected to behaviour by others that undermined your professional confidence or self esteem?	Y/N
11	In this post, have you witnessed bullying or harassment behaviour?	Y/N
12	a) Have you ever considered training less than fulltime? b) If yes to a) above, did you decide to train less than fulltime? c) If no to b) above, why did you decide not to train less than fulltime?	Y/N Y/N/N/A FREE TEXT
13	In an average week (excluding leave, on-call, compensatory rest)... f) How many consultant supervised theatre sessions did you attend (including elective and emergency/CEPOD theatre work)? (½ day list = 1 session, all day list = 2 sessions) g) How many consultant supervised outpatients sessions did you attend? h) Do you think your placement provided sufficient opportunity to undertake Workplace Based Assessments (WBAs)? i) On average, how long after the event was the assessment undertaken and entered onto the ISCP?	0/1/2/3/4/5/>5 0/1/2/3/4/5/>5 Y/N At the same time/The same day/The same week/2-4 weeks later/More than 1 month later

	j) Was there sufficient support from your supervisors to enable you to complete the workplace-based assessments?	Y/N
14	To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?: I have been provided with meaningful feedback on the basis of a Multiple Consultant Report.	Strongly agree/Agree/Neither agree nor disagree/Disagree/Strongly disagree
15	On average, did you receive an equivalent of 2 hours formal teaching per week? For example, locally/regionally/nationally provided teaching, educational induction, simulation training, specialty meetings, journal clubs, x-ray meetings, MDT meetings.	Y/N
16	Were you able to attend emergency theatre regularly (e.g. CEPOD, trauma lists)?	Y/N N/A
17	Did the presence of another fellow or trainee frequently compromise/compete for your learning opportunities in this post?	Y/N
18	In the past year, have you received technical skills simulation training? (This could include cadaveric and animal tissue, task trainers, laparoscopic boxes and high fidelity simulators).	Y/N N/A
19	Was this through (tick all applicable options): a) Your regional teaching programme? b) A formal course organised by the training programme? c) Locally organised training, either as formal simulation training or informal case-based scenario training during your working practice, within the hospital? d) Recommended courses?	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
20	Did you have access to a skills centre, skills room or take-home equipment for practice: a) During normal working hours? b) Outside of normal working hours?	Y/N N/A Y/N N/A
21	If yes to either part of the question above, did you have a mentor to cover induction on equipment and to monitor progress?	Y/N N/A
22	In the past year, have you received non-technical skills/human factors simulation training? (This could include ward or theatre-based communication skills training, case-based scenarios, patient case conferences and team training).	Y/N/N/A
23	Was this through (tick all applicable options): a) Your regional teaching programme? b) A formal course organised by the training programme?	Y/N Y/N Y/N

	c) Locally organised training, either as formal simulation training or informal case-based scenario training during your working practice, within the hospital? d) Recommended courses?	Y/N
24	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training on ward rounds (including pre-op cases)?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
25	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training in outpatients?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
26	How would you rate the quality of consultant teaching & training in the operating theatre?	Very poor / Poor / Satisfactory / Good / Very good
27	In outpatients did you regularly see new patients?	Y/N
28	During an average week how many MDTs did you attend?	0/1/2/3/4/5+
29	Did you have the opportunity to contribute to management or leadership at any level, e.g. rota management, trainee representative on hospital/deanery/Local NHSE Office committees, involvement in service development?	Y/N
30	Did you experience any difficulties relating to the geographical location of this training post?	Y/N
31	Did you experience any difficulties with access to administrative/secretarial support in this training post?	Y/N/N/A
32	Did you receive the equivalent of half a day per week in your timetable to allow for personal study, audit and research?	Y/N/N/A
33	Would you recommend this attachment to other trainees at the same level?	Y/N
Cardiothoracic Surgery Phase1+ (ST1+) (Section 3)		
1	Have you received training in vascular access and percutaneous hybrid procedures?	Y/N/N/A
2	If your current placement is in thoracic surgery, have you received specialist training in: d) Anatomical resections using video assisted thoracoscopic surgery? e) Surgery for Emphysema? f) Surgery for Mesothelioma?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A
3	If your current training is in cardiac surgery, have you received training in: f) Mitral valve repair? g) Aortic valve repair? h) Transplantation?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A

	i) Circulatory support techniques? j) Minimally invasive cardiac surgery?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A
4	Does your region have a structured education programme?	Y/N/N/A
5	What is your special interest within cardiothoracic surgery?	Adult Cardiac / Adult Thoracic / Paediatrics / Adult Congenital / Transplantation / Academic / Undecided / Other
6	How frequently is a consultant present in the outpatient clinic?	Always / Frequently / Sometimes / Rarely / Never / N/A
7	Do you get adequate ICU training and experience to facilitate the perioperative management of patients?	Y/N/N/A
8	How often (if ever) have you been expected to obtain consent for procedures which you do not have the competence to carry out yourself?	Always / Frequently / Sometimes / Rarely / Never
9	In accordance with the specialty curriculum, do you feel that training can be completed within a seven year run through programme?	Y/N
Please answer the questions in this section if you are a Cardiothoracic Surgery trainee Phase 3:		
10	Do you have the opportunity to operate independently or with your trainer unscrubbed in your current post?	Y/N/N/A
11	Do you think that you will feel confident to operate independently following the immediate completion of your training?	Y/N/N/A
12	Do you feel confident to provide out of hours care for emergencies in your specialty following completion of your training?	Y/N/N/A
Core Surgical Trainees (Section 4)		
1	Are you able to report exceptions to your work schedule? (Trainees in England)	Y/N
2	On average, how many operative logbook procedures have you been involved in per month?	0 to 1/2 to 4/5 to 9/10-15/15 or more
General Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 5)		
1	What is your special interest within general surgery?	Select one or more option: Breast Surgery/Transplant Surgery/Endocrine Surgery/Vascular Surgery/Trauma Surgery/General Surgery of Childhood/Remote and Rural Surgery/Colorectal Surgery/Upper GI Surgery/Emergency General Surgery
2	Do you consider that you have sufficient time for special interest training with your current levels of service and emergency work?	Y/N/N/A
3	Are the following available 24/7 with real time reporting: a) CT scanning?	Y/N

	b) Interventional radiology?	Y/N
4	How many days per week is there a CEPOD list?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
5	How many other specialties share this list (counting vascular surgery as a separate specialty)?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
6	How many consultant ward rounds per week do you have?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
7	Do you perform a daily business round of your team's patients?	Y/N
8	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N
9	Are the following included in the on-call activity in this post: a) Paediatric emergencies? b) Urological emergencies?	Y/N/N/A Y/N/N/A
Question 10 is only for trainees with a special interest in colorectal or upper gastrointestinal surgery:		
10	Are you given endoscopy training in this post?	Yes, regularly/Yes, but ad hoc with no fixed timetabling/No
Neurosurgery Phase 1+ (ST1+) (Section 6)		
1	Are there daily business ward rounds in your unit?	Y/N
2	What type of unit are you currently based in?	Y/N
3	Does the unit have 24/7 MRI availability?	Y/N
4	Does the unit have a 7-day interventional neuroradiology/coiling service?	Y/N
5	If you answered 'no' to question 4, do you have access to a 7-day interventional neuroradiology/coiling service at another unit in the region?	Y/N/N/A
OMFS Phase 1 (ST1 or ST2) (Section 7)		
1	Did you meet with the OMFS TPD during your placement?	Formally as part of interim review or final ARCP / Informally / No
2	How many formal meetings did you have with the OMFS TPD during your placement	0/1/2/3/More than 3
3	Did you encounter any issues in discussing the move from ST1 to ST3 at the beginning of your ST1 year with any of your trainers (TPD or other)?	Y/N/N/A
4	If you are an ST2 trainee, was progression to the ST2 training year planned from the beginning of your specialty training?	Y/N/N/A
5	Has your placement helped you to prepare for entry to ST3 in OMFS?	Y/N
6	Did you have the opportunity to undertake any OMFS-specific training, teaching or courses during your placement?	Y/N
OMFS Phase 2+ (ST3+)		
1	Does your training region provide training opportunities in all aspects of the OMFS specialty curriculum?	Y/N/Unknown

2	If you answered 'no' to question 1, what areas of the curriculum are you not able to access in your training region ('No' = unable to access / 'Yes' = able to access)? Cleft Lip and Palate Surgery Craniofacial Surgery Microvascular Surgery Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ) Surgery Other	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
3	If you answered 'no' to question 1, will your deanery/Local NHSE Office make arrangements for you to train and gain experience in another region?	Y/N/Unknown
4	If you answered 'yes' to question 3, will your deanery/Local NHSE Office provide financial support to you to undertake a period of training and experience in another region? If you answer 'yes' to this question, please provide specific examples in the text box.	Y/N/Unknown
5	Have you ever had occasions in this post when you have been unable to obtain immediate advice from consultants when on call?	Y/N/N/A
Otolaryngology Phase 1+ (ST1+) (Section 8)		
1	When on call in this post, do you have immediate access to dedicated cover from a nominated on call consultant?	Y/N/N/A
2	Have you ever had occasions in this post when you have been unable to obtain immediate advice from consultants when on call?	Y/N/N/A
3	Out of hours, do you have the following routine timetabled work scheduled: a) Operating list b) Outpatients clinic	Y/N Y/N
4	If 'yes' to either part of Question 3 above, are you supervised by a consultant for this work?	Y/N/N/A
5	Do you think your training post provides sufficient operative experience for your level of training?	Y/N/Unknown
6	In this post is it normal practice that emergency admissions are reviewed daily by a Consultant as part of a formal ward round within 24 hours of admission?	Y/N/N/A
Paediatric Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 9)		
1	Are you planning to develop or do you have a special interest within paediatric surgery?	Y/N/N/A

2	If you answered 'yes' to question 1, what is your area of sub-specialty interest, or what do you plan to develop into?	Colorectal / Upper GI / Hepatobiliary / Oncology / Urology / Thoracic / As yet undecided / Other
3	Do you consider that you have sufficient time for special interest training with your current levels of service and emergency work?	Y/N/N/A
4	Are the following available 24/7 with real time reporting: a) CT scanning? b) Interventional radiology?	Y/N Y/N
5	How many days per week is there a CEPOD list?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
6	How many other specialties share this list?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
7	How many consultant ward rounds per week do you have?	0/1/2/3/4/5/6/7
8	Is there a daily business round of patients?	Y/N
9	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N
10	During an average working week, how many theatre sessions do you attend (excluding emergency theatre)?	0/1/2/3/4/5 or more
11	During an average working week, how many outpatient clinics do you attend where you see patients independently?	0/1/2/3/4/5 or more
12	Rota: a) What is the frequency of your on call rota? 1 in... b) How many participants in your on-call rota are not trainees? c) Is your rota 'resident on call' or 'non-resident on call'?	<4 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 / >11 0 / 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10 / >10 Resident on call / Non-resident on call/Other
Plastic Surgery ST3+ (Section 10)		
1	Do you have a dedicated plastic surgery trauma list in your unit?	Y/N/N/A
2	If you answered 'no' to question 1, do you have access to a CEPOD list?	Y/N/N/A
3	If you answered 'yes' to question 2, what is the average time to theatre (options given in hours)?	<12/<24/>24/>48/>72
4	Does your training unit offer dedicated orthoplastic trauma lists	Y/N/N/A
5	If you answered 'yes' to question 4, how many sessions a week are available (one session is equivalent to one half day list)?	0/1/2/3/4/5+
6	During an average week, how many LA lists of your own do you have?	0/1/2/3/4/5+
7	What consultant support is available for LA lists in your unit?	Direct consultant support in theatre (trainer scrubbed or unscrubbed) / Consultant support available elsewhere in the hospital / There is no support available / Other
8	During an average week, how many of your own outpatient clinic patient lists do you have?	0/1/2/3/4/5+
9	What consultant support is available for outpatient clinics?	Direct consultant support (in clinic or in adjacent clinic) / Consultant support available elsewhere in

		the hospital / Consultant support available by phone / No consultant support available / Other
10	During an average week, how many MDTs with plastic surgery input take place	0/1/2/3/4/5+
11	<p>If you answered '1' or more to question 10, which clinical areas do these cover?</p> <p>Breast reconstructive surgery</p> <p>Management of burns</p> <p>Cleft lip and palate</p> <p>Craniofacial Surgery</p> <p>Cosmetic or reconstructive cosmetic surgery Hand surgery</p> <p>Head and neck surgery</p> <p>Hypospadias repair</p> <p>Laser surgery</p> <p>Lower limb trauma surgery</p> <p>Microvascular surgery</p> <p>Oculoplastic surgery</p> <p>Management of sarcoma</p> <p>Management of skin cancer</p> <p>Treatment of vascular malformations</p> <p>Other</p>	<p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p>
12	<p>Please indicate your area(s) of subspecialty interest.</p> <p>Breast reconstructive surgery</p> <p>Management of burns</p> <p>Cleft lip and palate</p> <p>Craniofacial Surgery</p> <p>Cosmetic or reconstructive cosmetic surgery Hand surgery</p> <p>Head and neck surgery</p> <p>Hypospadias repair</p> <p>Laser surgery</p> <p>Lower limb trauma surgery</p> <p>Microvascular surgery</p> <p>Oculoplastic surgery</p> <p>Management of sarcoma</p> <p>Management of skin cancer</p> <p>Treatment of vascular malformations</p> <p>Other</p>	<p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p> <p>Y/N</p>

13	In reference to question 12, are you considering taking a fellowship in an area of subspecialty interest?	Y/N/Unknown
14	If you answered 'yes' to question 13, where do you intend to undertake a fellowship?	UK / Elsewhere in Europe / Outside of Europe / Unknown
15	Is your deanery/Local NHSEE Office supportive of you taking a period of out of programme training or experience to undertake a fellowship?	Y/N/Unknown
16	Have you experienced any difficulties, or do you anticipate experiencing any difficulties, in meeting the terms of the indicative operative numbers in any area of the curriculum? If you answer 'yes', please specify the relevant curriculum area(s) in the free text box.	Y/N/Unknown
17	At the completion of training, would you like to apply for a consultant post within your training region?	Y/N/Unknown
18	On average, how many regional training days are organised in your training region over the course of the year?	0/1-3/4-6/7-9/10-12/13+
19	What support does your region offer to help trainees prepare for the FRCS examination? Practice written examinations Practice OSCE examinations An FRCS(Plas) course None Other	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 11)		
1	In this post, have you attended one or more trauma calls as a member of the trauma team?	Y/N/N/A
2	In this post, did you have access to managing paediatric orthopaedic trauma cases (15 years and under)?	Y/N/N/A
3	Have you been awarded an Outcome 10.1 at your most recent ARCP? (Outcome 10 options, introduced during Covid, will not be available after 30 September 2023)	Y/N
4	If you have been awarded an Outcome 10.1 do you envisage that this will lead to additional training time being required?	Y/N
5	Have you been awarded an Outcome 10.2 at your most recent ARCP? (Outcome 10 options, introduced during Covid, will not be available after 30 September 2023)	Y/N/N/A
6	Do you feel that your training in this post was adversely affected by winter pressures?	Y/N/N/A

7	If you answered 'yes' to question 6, what did you do instead of attending any missed operating lists?	Free session / Allocated different theatre session / Allocated outpatient sessions / Other / N/A
8	If you answered 'yes' to question 6, was your training programme proactive in supporting you in the identification of alternative training opportunities	Y/N/N/A
9	During the last 12 months has your period of training been extended through the ARCP process, solely because of logbook deficiencies related to "winter bed pressures"? <i>"Winter bed pressures" is defined as a sustained period of reduced elective operating due to seasonal factors extending over at least six weeks.</i>	Y/N/N/A
10	Since completing medical school, have you undertaken any medical work outside of the UK or Ireland?	Never but I would have like to / Never and I am not interested / Once / 2-5 times / More than 5 times
11	If you have undertaken medical work outside of the UK or Ireland since completing medical school, on what basis did you undertake the work?	During training in an Out of Programme Training (OOPT) capacity / During training in an Out of Programme Experience (OOPE) capacity / During training in an Out of Programme Career Break (OOPC) capacity / During a period that I was not in a training programme / Other / N/A
Urology Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 12)		
1	When a trainer is on leave (other than unexpectedly) what sort of planning occurs in relation to diagnostics sessions e.g. flexible cystoscopy sessions, prostate biopsy sessions?	Session is cancelled / Number of cases are reduced / Alternative consultant cover is provided / No arrangements are made / Arrangements are made but are overruled by service requirements / Other
2	When a trainer is on leave what sort of planning occurs in relation to theatre lists?	List is cancelled / Alternative consultant cover is provided / I undertake a theatre list independently with cases appropriate to my competencies / No arrangements are made / Other
3	Do you have a timetabled session each week for patient administration?	Yes and it is protected / Yes but service requirements frequently mean I cannot take it / Yes but service requirements occasionally mean I cannot take it / No – session needed / No – session not needed / Other
4	Are you timetabled to regularly deliver teaching in this post?	Y/N/N/A

5	Are you expected to enter data on behalf of your trainer/department into the BAUS Surgical Outcomes Database when you have not been involved with the surgery on a regular basis?	Y/N/N/A
6	Following an on call period are you able to take your compensatory rest/time off duty?	Always / >50% of the time / <50% of the time / Very rarely / No compensatory rest period in job plan / N/A
7	When providing emergency out of hours cover are you expected to attend more than one hospital site?	Y/N/N/A
8	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. Placements during my time within my current deanery/Local NHSE Office training programme have been appropriate to my educational needs / requirements for indicative operative numbers.	Strongly agree / Agree / Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree
9	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. When I have raised concerns regarding the quality of the training I have received during my rotation these concerns have been listened to and appropriate action taken.	Strongly agree / Agree / Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree
10	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. My training rotation provides sufficient experience/exposure to paediatric urology to meet the requirements of the curriculum.	Strongly agree / Agree/ Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree
11	Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statement. My training rotation provides sufficient experience/exposure to female urology to meet the requirements of the curriculum.	Strongly agree / Agree / Neither agree nor disagree / Disagree / Strongly disagree
Vascular Surgery Phase 2+ (ST3+) (Section 13)		
1	What was the training focus of the past year?	12 months of Vascular Surgery / 12 months of General Surgery / 6 months of Vascular Surgery and 6 months of General Surgery / Out of programme / Other
2	How many days per year does your Deanery/Local NHSE Office run a vascular skills/teaching programme?	0 / 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 / 8 / 9 / 10 / 11 / 12 / >12
3	Did you have a dedicated interventional radiology list in this post?	Y/N/N/A
4	How many dedicated peripheral interventional sessions did you attend per month?	0 / 1 / 2 / 3-4 / 5-6 / 7-8 / >8
5	How would you rate the support you received in attending your allocated clinical session?	Very good / Good / Satisfactory / Poor / Very poor
6	How would you rate your access to hands on experience during your allocated clinical session?	Very good / Good / Satisfactory / Poor / Very poor

7	How would you rate the clinical experience gained during your allocated clinical session?	Very good / Good / Satisfactory / Poor / Very poor
8	How many dedicated venous sessions did you attend per month?	0 / 1 / 2 / 3-4 / 5-6 / 7-8 / >8
9	Did you attend the relevant ASPIRE course for your level of training, during the last training year?	Y/N
10	Did you attend any external Vascular-Surgery specific courses relevant to your level of training during the last training year?	Y/N
11	Have you received simulation training in any of the following options? Examples might include via Deanery/Local NHSE Office training programmes or via courses. Please select all that apply.	EVAR repair / Peripheral limb angioplasty or stenting / Introduction to ultrasound / Use of duplex US to assess varicose veins / Endovenous surgery / Venous reconstruction surgery / Common vascular dissections / Vascular anastomosis / Arteriotomy and repair / Arterial patching / Fem-pop bypass / Fem-distal bypass / Carotid endarterectomy / Open AAA repair / Vascular trauma surgery / Renal access surgery / Arterial duplex / Venous duplex / Reflection and feedback / Return to clinical practice / WHO checklist / Radiation protection training / Training in imaging reporting / None of the above
12	Have you attended any of the following conferences during the past year? Please tick all that apply.	Vascular Society ASM / British Society of Endovascular Therapy / Charing Cross / Venous Forum / VEITH / Controversies and Updates in Vascular Surgery / European Society of Vascular Surgery / Other
13	If you feel your opportunities for simulation training have been fewer than you would like, what do you feel are the main reasons for this? Please tick all that apply.	Challenges applying for study leave / Clinical responsibilities preventing you from attending teaching days / Financial constraints / Not enough Deanery/Local NHSE Office teaching days / Unable to attend all Deanery/Local NHSE Office teaching days for any reason / Shortage of places on courses / I don't feel simulation training is necessary for me at this stage / N/A / Other
Less than full-time trainees (Section 14)		
1	In which year were you appointed to this training programme?	Before 2006 / 2006 / 2007 / 2008 / 2009 / 2010 / 2011 / 2012 / 2013 / 2014 / 2015 / 2016 / 2017 / 2018 / 2019/2020/2021/2022/2023/2024

2	In which year did you become a LTFT trainee?	Before 2006 / 2006 / 2007 / 2008 / 2009 /2010 / 2011 / 2012 / 2013 / 2014 / 2015 / 2016 / 2017 / 2018 / 2019/2020/2021/2022/2023/2024
3	How long did it take to obtain a LTFT training slot?	0-6 months/6-12 months/More than 1 year
4	Do you consider that this was prolonged?	Y/N
5	Does your deanery/Local NHSE Office or training programme have an identified person who is responsible for LTFT training?	Y/N
6	Do you believe that your TPD understands and is sympathetic to the needs of a LTFT trainee?	Y/N
7	Do you consider that training less than fulltime may affect your future career prospects?	Y/N
8	Please indicate the proportion of time that you currently work:	<50%, 50%, 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%
9	Who determined the proportion of time that you work?	You/Deanery/Local NHSE Office/TPD
10	If this was not determined by you, are you happy with the training time that you have been given?	Y/N N/A
11	Are you: a) In a job-sharing arrangement with another trainee? b) Working LTFT in a post normally occupied by a full time trainee (instead of a full time trainee)? c) Working LTFT as a supernumary member of your surgical team (not in a job share, not in an established but vacant training post)?	
12	Have you experienced problems accessing any of the following sessions? Consultant ward rounds Outpatient clinics Elective operating lists Emergency operating lists MDT or equivalent Research / audit	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
13	Have you needed to work additional (non-paid) sessions to achieve specific clinical aims (e.g. endoscopy training, special interest training)?	Y/N
14	Are your fixed sessions all undertaken with the same consultant? If No - How many different consultants do you work with?	2, 3, 4, 5, >5
15	Does your current post include an out of hours on call commitment? If No: a) Is this through choice? b) Is it because the Trust is unwilling to fund on call time for you?	Y/N Y/N N/A Y/N N/A

16	Is the level of your on call commitment sufficient to retain your on call competencies?	Y/N N/A
17	As a LTFT trainee, have you experienced problems with any of the following? a) A lack of support/understanding about LTFT training by consultant trainers b) Adverse attitudes to your position and needs by fulltime trainees c) Allocation to sessions with fewer or inferior training opportunities in favour of fulltime trainees d) Negotiating a learning agreement with achievable objectives/goals e) Inappropriate expectations at ARCP f) Achieving your competencies g) Disproportionately less exposure to skills/simulation training than fulltime trainees	Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N Y/N
Academic Trainees (Section 15)		
1	Are there any factors that have adversely affected your academic progress?	Y/N
2	How many abstracts/presentations have you made to national or international meetings over the last 12 months?	0/1/2/3/4/5/>5
3	Did the academic component of your post meet your expectations?	Y/N
4	Do you feel that you made appropriate progress in your clinical training during your post?	Y/N
5	If no to the question above, why not?	Text box

¹ The ISCP includes the 'live' questions for the trainee survey (access is for trainees undertaking UK training programmes) and a reporting tool which shows the results with each corresponding question (access is for individuals undertaking specified roles e.g. SAC Chair). A report of overall findings is published on the JCST website