



## Basic Specialist Training – General Internal Medicine

### Equivalence of Basic Specialist Training – programme undertaken outside Ireland

Consideration will be taken, on a case by case basis, for equivalence of Basic Specialist Training for programmes undertaken outside of Ireland.

Applicants seeking to gain equivalence of training/experience for entry to HST will only be recognised if the training which is being considered has been successfully completed and provided through a structured programme formally recognised by a national training body in one of the following jurisdictions:

- UK – Programmes Approved by The Royal College of Physicians
- Australia and New Zealand – Programmes Approved by The Royal Australasian College of Physicians
- US – ACGME Approved Residency Programmes
- Canada – Programmes Approved by The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada
- OMAN - Fellowship programme of the OMAN Medical Specialist Board OMSB

In determining the amount of credit to be awarded regard will be given to the clinical attachments, courses, etc. completed.

A minimum of 12 months and a maximum of 24 months overseas equivalence may only be considered.

### Retrospective Recognition

General Internal Medicine does not recognise any retrospective recognition for standalone posts held in Ireland, i.e. posts undertaken at SHO and/or Registrar level while not registered on an accredited Basic Specialist Training programme.

### Reciprocity of Basic Specialist Training programmes in Ireland

Consideration will be taken on a case by case basis for those trainees who wish to transfer from other postgraduate training programmes recognised by Irish postgraduate training bodies in the Irish Health Care System – general practice, surgery, anaesthesia and emergency medicine.

In these cases applicants who have successfully completed two years BST in general practice, surgery, anaesthesia or emergency medicine may enter BST General Internal Medicine at year 2 (i.e. be given the equivalent of 12 months credit) under the provision that the training completed is relevant and corresponds with the BST General Internal Medicine Curriculum. The 12 months credit will only be applied once the trainee has been offered a place on the BST General Internal Medicine programme.

[The IOM BST Training Handbook can be reviewed under 'Training Guides' here](#)



## Basic Specialist Training – Histopathology

### Equivalence of Basic Specialist Training – programme undertaken outside Ireland

Programmes undertaken outside of Ireland are not considered for equivalence of Basic Specialist Training for Histopathology.

### Retrospective Recognition

Histopathology does not recognise any retrospective recognition for standalone posts held in Ireland, i.e. posts undertaken at SHO and/or Registrar level while not registered on an accredited Basic Specialist Training programme.

### Reciprocity of Basic Specialist Training programmes in Ireland

Trainees must complete two years on the Histopathology Basic Speciality Training programme. There is no reciprocity with any other recognised training programmes.

[The Histopathology BST Training Handbook can be reviewed under 'Training Guides' here](#)



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## Basic Specialist Training – Obstetrics and Gynaecology

### Equivalence of Basic Specialist Training – programme undertaken outside Ireland

Programmes undertaken outside of Ireland are not considered for equivalence of Basic Specialist Training for Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

### Retrospective Recognition

Obstetrics and Gynaecology does not recognise any retrospective recognition for standalone posts held in Ireland, i.e. posts undertaken at SHO and/or Registrar level while not registered on an accredited Basic Specialist Training programme.

### Reciprocity of Basic Specialist Training programmes in Ireland

Trainees must complete three years on the Obstetrics and Gynaecology Basic Speciality Training programme. There is no reciprocity with any other recognised training programmes.

[The Obstetrics and Gynaecology BST Training Handbook can be reviewed under 'Training Guides' here](#)



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## Basic Specialist Training – General Paediatrics

### Equivalence of Basic Specialist Training – programme undertaken outside Ireland

Programmes undertaken outside of Ireland are not considered for equivalence of Basic Specialist Training for General Paediatrics.

### Retrospective Recognition

General Paediatrics does not recognise any retrospective recognition for standalone posts held in Ireland, i.e. posts undertaken at SHO and/or Registrar level while not registered on an accredited Basic Specialist Training programme.

### Reciprocity of Basic Specialist Training programmes in Ireland

Trainees must complete two years on the General Paediatrics Basic Speciality Training programme. There is no reciprocity with any other recognised training programmes.

[The General Paediatrics BST Training Handbook can be reviewed under 'Training Guides' here](#)