

Regulations on recognition of postgraduate speciality experience outside of the National Anaesthesia Training Programme towards completion of anaesthesia training

(1) Retrospective Recognition of BST towards CCBST

The Training Committee may allow retrospective recognition of BST up to a maximum of 12 months towards CCBST subject to the following conditions:

- Trainee has subsequently been appointed to the National BST programme
- Training took place in hospitals which are part of the National BST Programme
- The College Tutor (or Chairman of the Department) confirms that the training undertaken was similar to that of a BST.
- In Training assessment completed for each six months period of training are satisfactory.
- Training time credit will only be approved up to a maximum for the duration of time for which BSTs from National BST programme are normally rotated to the Hospital.

(2) Retrospective Recognition of Training in Anaesthesia towards CCBST or Equivalent

Guidelines for recognition of equivalence to CCBST:

Doctors who hold a qualification in anaesthesia which exempts the holder from passing the Primary Examination may apply to the Training Committee for equivalence to CCBST and hence eligibility for SpR training subject to the following conditions:

- Applicant holds a qualification in anaesthesia which exempts the holder from passing the Primary Examination as per examinations regulations.
- Minimum of two years supervised anaesthesia training.
- Minimum six months supervised anaesthesia practice in Ireland in a National BST/RTP post or a post in a hospital which is part of the National BST/RTP.
- The College tutor (or Chairman of the Department) confirms that the applicant's standard of anaesthesia practice is equivalent to a holder of CCBST at the end of the two years National BST programme in Ireland.

Doctors appointed to the RTP who have equivalence to CCBST confirmed by the Training Committee will be eligible for up to 12 months retrospective recognition of training on the RTP towards SpR training at the level of year one.

(3) Recognition of Training in Medicine and Surgery towards completion of Anaesthesia Training

The Training Committee may allow retrospective recognition in Medicine or Surgery up to a maximum of 6 months towards completion of anaesthesia training equivalent to year one SpR subject to the following conditions:

- Trainee has been appointed to the National SpR Programme
- Training in Medicine or Surgery including Emergency Medicine was on a National Training Programme recognised for trainee registration.
- In Training assessments completed for each six month period of training in medicine or surgery for which retrospection is sought are satisfactory