

## Support Arrangements for Current Trainee Doctors in Northern Ireland

The following arrangements have been put in place to support trainee doctors currently employed within training posts in Northern Ireland and who remain unplaced on 1 August 2007.

This support has been provided to secure their employment until the second round of recruitment in England is completed on 31 October 2007, allowing them to continue to apply for jobs in England in Round 2.

- Eligible unplaced doctors are asked to register with the Northern Ireland Deanery as below
- Registration will enable the doctor to receive continued support from 1 August 2007 until 31 October 2007, or until they secure substantive employment if sooner
- Deanery staff will work with unplaced doctors to assist them in gaining employment during this period
- No further run-through ST appointments will be made at this stage.

### Eligibility Criteria

To be able to access the arrangements, a trainee doctor must fulfil the following criteria:

- You must be currently working in an educationally approved training post in Northern Ireland
- You must have applied through MTAS and have been eligible for recruitment
- You had received no offers of training by 6 July 2007

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- Deanery staff will be in regular contact with all eligible candidates who have registered, to provide them career advice and support throughout this process
- NIMDTA, working with Trusts, will also advise applicants of relevant employment opportunities in Northern Ireland
- Posts may be offered as locum appointment service (LAS) post for up to 3 months (to 31 October 2007)
- The specific role that individual doctors will undertake will depend on their competence and experience, and on service needs. Doctors may therefore need to work in different specialty areas.

### I am eligible - What do I do now?

Please e-mail [specialty@nimdta.gov.uk](mailto:specialty@nimdta.gov.uk) with the following information:

1. Your full name
2. Your current contact details (email address, phone numbers and postal address)
3. Your MTAS number (if you have it)
4. Details of your current post (specialty and location)

Emails must be received by **5pm on Wednesday 25 July 2007**.

Once you are registered, NIMDTA will be in contact with you; please keep in touch also so that you can be updated on employment opportunities.

It will help if you advise NIMDTA and your employer when you accept a post (whether through Round 2 of MTAS in England, elsewhere in the UK or in Northern Ireland) so that support can be focused on those who really need it.

Vacancies are advertised on HPSS Jobs: <http://www.hpssjobs.com/index.asp>

BMJ Careers: <http://www.bmjcareers.com/tpl/jobsCurrent.php>