

Northern Ireland

# General Practice Specialty Training



# Becoming a GP Training practice

*For practices interested in training the GPs of the future!*

# Who can become a GP Trainer?

- ⇒ Partner/Salaried GP in practice
- ⇒ Be on the PMPL
- ⇒ Work at least 5 sessions in practice
- ⇒ Have adequate capacity in the practice for training



# Why become a GP Trainer?

- ⇒ A rewarding and enjoyable experience
- ⇒ Develop an interest in education
- ⇒ Remuneration with an extra pair of hands in the practice
- ⇒ Expand the workforce and bring more GPs to your area
- ⇒ Keep up to date and learn from trainees
- ⇒ Peer learning from other trainers
- ⇒ Chance to meet and network with other trainees in the locality
- ⇒ Excellent learning opportunity

# How do you become a GP Trainer?

- ⇒ Apply for and complete Learning & Teaching (L&T)
- ⇒ Complete and submit a portfolio
- ⇒ Practice visit



## Feedback from current GP Trainer:

“There are many complaints about the state of General Practice at the moment, but one of the great pleasures of being a trainer in the GP setting is the opportunity to work closely with someone who is completely up to date with the latest guidelines and protocols; learning from them and helping them to work through the difficulties of putting theory into practice with patients who often have a very different view

Trainees come with fresh eyes to look at intractable problems and often – for various reasons – can persuade the patient to at long last reveal their hidden problems

I have found the greatest satisfaction in watching these young and still enthusiastic people develop over their time in training and become successful independent practitioners”

***Dr Ivor Cairns***

Dr IR Cairns & Partners

GP Trainer since 2008

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# Feedback from Practice Manager

“We have been a training practice for a number of years. Having a trainee in the practice brings new challenges and a fresh face each year. Trainees are enthusiastic, bring new ideas and help with the increasing demand we face in Primary care.

As a Manager, I support the trainer in their role and provide guidance and direction to the trainee. Being a training Practice, encourages other members of the team to evolve in their learning and makes sure that everyone is up to date with the latest guidance. We thoroughly enjoy being a training Practice and there is a mutual benefit to both the Practice and trainee doctors when they spend time with us.”

***Sophie Loughrey***  
Practice Manager  
Salisbury Medical Practice

## Interested?

If you are interested in becoming a GP Trainer/Training Practice or wish to get further information on the processes please contact us:

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