

Core Training: evidence-based medicine for doctors in training

This issue of the *British Journal of Hospital Medicine* marks the launch of the new Core Training supplement for junior doctors, replacing the Modernising Medical Careers supplement. The first obvious change to this section is the title. Medical training continuously evolves, and we wanted to highlight the fresh approach that we are taking to publishing articles for doctors in training. These will be focused on providing up-to-date and evidence-based

information of a practical nature, which will be directly relevant to clinical practice in the workplace and career development. One of the goals for this section is to ally articles to the curricula produced by the Royal colleges, and in this way support the development of competencies and allow them to be used alongside learning portfolios and workplace-based assessments.

We have developed four themes to run concurrently in each issue:

Clinical skills for postgraduate examinations

These will explore specific clinical signs, the methods of their elicitation and (perhaps most importantly) how not to miss them, their utility, and their interpretation and presentation at the bedside or during assessments.

What you need to know about

This section will be disease-orientated, providing comprehensive overviews for doctors in training looking after a patient with a specific clinical problem.

Tips from the shop floor

Articles in this section will discuss common clinical scenarios or difficult challenges, and a pragmatic approach to their management.

What they don't teach you in medical school

These articles will focus on aspects of law, management, economics, ethics, science and career development that impact on daily medical practice but are sparsely taught elsewhere or represented in other general medical journals.

Finally, we will periodically run series of articles on topics such as medical imaging or practical procedures, and special features including ethical dilemmas.

We hope that this new supplement will be informative and appealing to medical trainees, and that they will find it helpful for progression and development of their medical career. **BJHM**



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