RCEM TSC statement on:
1: Chief Registrar Posts and Clinical Fellow posts
2: OOPT

RCEM recognises the value of the RCP chief registrar programme and OOPTs. The following statements are designed to ensure clarity.

TSC is keen to ensure the integrity of higher training and considers 36 months of higher training essential.

Chief Registrar and Clinical Fellow posts
The chief registrar post can be taken in programme or as an OOP (in or out of programme largely affects funding and RCEM doesn’t have a position. The decision is a regional school matter).

Whether the post is undertaken in or out of programme the CCT will need to be extended to ensure that the trainee has completed 36 months of higher EM training.

Clinical fellow posts must be taken as out of programme activity and the trainee will have to apply prospectively under the OOPT process for training recognition.

All posts will need prospective approval both from the local deanery and RCEM to allow calculation of revised CCT date.

OOPT
The minimum time that will be approved for training is six months (or LTFT equivalent).

If a placement is shortened for exceptional circumstances (eg COVID), training will be accepted following approval by the local TPD and Head of School. This will be dependent on evidence of WPBA, supervisor’s report and faculty governance statement.

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