North West Core Surgical Training

Core Specialty Checklist – Neurosurgery

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|  | **Hospital Site:** | **Post Specialty:** | **Educational Supervisor:** | **Date completed:** |
| **Post 1** |  |  |  |  |
| **Post 2** |  |  |  |  |
| **Post 3** |  |  |  |  |
| **Post 4** |  |  |  |  |
| **Post 5** |  |  |  |  |

Description of the levels (stated as a prefix for each procedure) expected for clinical and technical skills; e.g. 2 Appendicectomy

Each topic within a stage has a competence level ascribed to it in the areas of clinical and technical skills ranging from 1 to 4:

1. **Has observed. At this level the trainee: equates to logbook O or A**
2. **Can do with assistance: equates to logbook STS**
3. **Can do whole but may need assistance: equates to logbook STU**
4. **Competent to do without assistance, including complications: equates to logbook P, or level of CCT**

| **Core Specialty Module**  Neurosurgery | | **Type of evidence (WPBA, MRCS, reading, course, logbook)** | **Total No. of Procedures**  **- If applicable** | **No. of Procedures**  **(STS, STU & P)** | **Highest Level of competency achieved on WPBA/MCR** |
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| **Core Specialty** | Interpretation of cranial CT scans |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | Contribution to the trauma team as neurosurgical  representative |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | Assessment and planning the investigation of new and follow-up patients in neurosurgical outpatient clinics |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | Assessment and early management of acutely unwell  neurosurgical patient |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **3** - Lumbar puncture |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **3** - Sampling of CSF from and administration of intrathecal antibiotics through, lumbar drains and external ventricular drains |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **2** - Insertion of ICP monitor |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **2** - Insertion of external ventricular drain |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **2** - Burr hole drainage of chronic subdural haematoma |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **1** - Dorsal exposure of spine |  |  |  |  |
| **Core Specialty** | **1** - Opening and closing craniotomy |  |  |  |  |