NHS Health Education England

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National Training Numbers (NTNs)

NTNs are only allocated to trainees who are on a run-through training programme i.e. subject to satisfactory progress, they will eventually complete the training programme and gain entry to the GMC's Specialist Register (can work as a consultant), via wither the CCT route or CESR CP route.

The training for trainees on both routes is exactly the same; trainees will just have to go through a different process when they apply for CCT/CESR CP. See <u>CCT or CESR CP - A guide to the routes of</u> entry on the GMC's specialist register for trainees starting specialty training at ST3 or above in the <u>North West School of Surgery</u> for more information on CCT and CESR CP.

The NTN guarantees a continued place on a training programme, subject to acceptable progress and performance.

The structure of NTNs

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Deanery Code (three letters) – NWN for the former North Western Deanery and MER for the former Mersey Deanery. Specialty Code (three digits). Each specialty has a unique code; this one is for General Surgery – See appendix 1. Individual Identifier (three digits). This makes each NTN unique. Suffix (one letter) – see appendix 2.

Deanery Registration Numbers (DRNs)

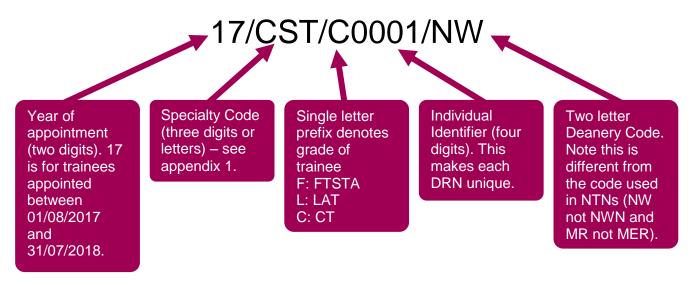
DRNs are issued to trainees who are not in run-through programmes i.e. trainees undertaking a FTSTA, Core Training or LAT appointment.

The number will be kept by that trainee for the duration of that appointment (in the case of Core Trainees, for the duration of their core training).

If a trainee changes the type of post they are in, e.g. resigns from a CT post to take up a LAT post, they will be issued with a new DRN.

DRNs are for Deanery/LETB tracking purposes and do not confer any entitlement to further training.

The structure of DRNs



Appendix 1: Specialty Codes

Specialty	Specialty NHS code
Acute (Internal) Medicine	035
Acute Care Common Stem - Acute Medicine	AAM
Acute Care Common Stem - Anaesthetics	AAN
Acute Care Common Stem - Emergency Medicine	AEM
Acute Care Common Stem - General	ACS
Acute Care Common Stem - Intensive Care Medicine	AIC
Allergy	033
Anaesthetics	091
Broad Based Training	BBT
Cardiology	007
Cardio-Thoracic Surgery	029
Chemical Pathology	072
Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	053
Clinical Genetics	020
Clinical Neurophysiology	014
Clinical Oncology	026
Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics	010
Clinical Radiology	080
Community Sexual and Reproductive Health	041
Core Anaesthetics Training	ANA
Core Medical Training	CMT
Core Psychiatry Training	CPT
Core Surgical Training	CST
Dental Public Health	980
Dentistry	TD3
Dermatology	005
Diagnostic Neuropathology	086
DME / Dermatology	800
Emergency Medicine	030
Endocrinology and Diabetes Mellitus	017
Forensic Histopathology	088
Forensic Psychiatry	054
Gastro-enterology	018
General (Internal) Medicine	001
General Practice	800
General Psychiatry	052
General Surgery	021
Genito-Urinary Medicine	009
Geriatric Medicine	011
Haematology	073
Histopathology	074
Infectious Diseases	003
Intensive Care Medicine	034
Medical Microbiology	075
Medical Oncology	012
Medical Ophthalmology	096

Specialty	Specialty NHS code
Medical Psychotherapy	055
Medical Virology	078
Medicine / DME	800
Neurology	006
Neuropathology	074
Neurosurgery	031
Nuclear Medicine	016
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	040
Old Age Psychiatry	056
Oncoplastics	021
Ophthalmology	025
Oral and Maxillo-Facial Surgery	061
Oral Medicine (Additional Dental Specialties)	065
Oral Pathology (Additional Dental Specialties)	065
Oral Surgery	066
Orthodontics	062
Otolaryngology	023
Paediatric A&E	999
Paediatric and Perinatal Pathology	087
Paediatric Cardiology	097
Paediatric Cardiothoracic Surgery	029
Paediatric Dentistry	064
Paediatric Surgery	022
Paediatrics	002
Pain Management	091
Palliative Medicine	094
Periodontics	068
Plastic Surgery	028
Psychiatry of Learning Disability	051
Public Health Medicine	930
Rehabilitation Medicine	084
Renal Medicine	015
Respiratory Medicine	004
Restorative Dentistry	063
Rheumatology	008
Rheumatology / Dermatology	800
Special Care Dentistry	070
Surgical Dentistry	060
Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery	024
Tropical Medicine	32
Urology	027
Vascular Surgery	036

Appendix 2: NTN Suffix Definitions



For all trainees who are entering into specialty training on new approved GMC curriculum and who will apply to enter the Specialist Register through holding a Certificate of <u>C</u>ompletion of Training.

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For trainees who have not undertaken a full programme of prospectively approved training, as defined by PMETB, and who will therefore apply for a Certificate confirming Eligibility for Specialist Registration (CESR) or for General Practice Registration (CEGPR) to enter the Specialist or General Practitioners Register through Article 14 or Article 11. A CCT cannot be awarded in these circumstances.



NTN holders who remain on the SpR training curricula. Trainees currently holding VTNs (visiting training number) should be allocated NTNs (with the suffix N) or an NTN with an S suffix if they transfer to the new curriculum.



For trainees who <u>S</u>witch from the SpR (specialist training) curriculum to the new specialty training GMC approved curriculum in a specialty.



For trainees who hold Academic training numbers.



For trainees who are employed outside of the NHS, usually in <u>Industry</u> and who do not hold neither substantive NHS nor honorary contracts (e.g. in occupational medicine).



For specialty trainees in Public Health who are not eligible for entry onto the medical specialist register, as they do not hold a primary medical degree.



Some trainees may still retain part of a fixed term training appointment (FTTA) contract and will have been allocated a fixed term training appointment training number (FTN). Such trainees should have a training number denoted by the suffix \underline{F} for the remainder of their training period.



Combined programme CESR (CESR CPT) training outside the UK or training that was not approved by PMETB/GMC.