

Meeting with the Trainees to Clarify Teaching Attendance in the Context of COVID

By the Programme Team (please note the expectations may change due to the changing context of the pandemic)

Challenging Context of COVID

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- We acknowledge that we are currently in unprecedented times due to COVID and we are all learning together - to ensure you all have the best learning experience possible
- We have a range of stakeholder's views to consider

 Trainees, Programme Team, Employing Trust,
 Supervisors, External Lecturers, the University,
 HCPC, BPS, Local Trusts, National Networks, EBEs etc...
- We do our very best to consult to all stakeholders where possible but with the caveat that we may need to make a considered decision to ensure an excellent learning experience and/or the safety of everyone quickly due to this challenging context

Hybrid Teaching

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- Hybrid teaching/Live Feed is not a viable option for many reasons including:
 - The University does not currently recommend it
 - Not an effective mode to maximise learning
 - Lecturers not trained to deliver it
 - No guarantee the teaching room allows for this style of delivery
 - Need to ensure equity for all in developing clinical skills
 - Therefore, the decision has been made that the Programme will not be offering hybrid teaching

Group Activity

Please share any concerns, suggestions etc..
in the chat for the programme team to
consider

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If you have COVID symptoms and awaiting a PCR/Saliva test (or a +ve result)

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Please must follow the latest University and Placement reporting guidelines *and...*

- If in-person teaching (fit to work) please do not come in and swap your teaching day with your study day and follow the missed teaching reporting procedure and let Jeanette know it is a Teaching/Study day swap due to COVID (this will not be reported as sickness but should only be happening on the odd occasion)
- If remote teaching (fit to work) please attend teaching virtually (this will not be reported as sickness)
- If unwell then please follow the sickness reporting procedure and missed teaching procedure (this will be reported as sickness)

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If you have Cough/Cold symptoms with a negative PCR/Saliva test



Please must follow the latest University and Placement reporting guidelines *and...*

- If in-person teaching (fit to work) the expectation is that you attend teaching
- If remote teaching (fit to work) please attend teaching virtually
- If unwell then please follow the sickness reporting procedure and missed teaching procedure (this will not be reported as sickness)



Teaching Expectations

- You have a professional responsibility to only work if you are well and fit enough to do so
- You have chosen to train at the University of Southampton and so the expectation is that you attend teaching in person when it is required (if fit to work)
- Trainees must not facilitate hybrid teaching by linking trainees into lectures virtually
- If you are not well and/or fit enough to work then you need to follow the sickness procedure as detailed in the Placement Handbook
- If you are not well and/or fit enough to travel then one would argue that you are not well enough to participate in teaching/learning and this should be reported as a sick day and you follow the missed teaching procedure



Teaching Expectations

- All attendance is monitored by Jeanette and fed back to the Programme Team and the employing Trust – you must advise us if you are taking a teaching/study day swap or sickness
- We have to follow the Trust's Supporting Attendance policy
 - 2 occasions of absence in 3 months or 4 occasions in a 12 month rolling period or any pattern of absence which raises concern will trigger a Stage 1 meeting and please see the Supporting Attendance Policy for further details (see main BB site/ A-Z section/Under S)



Any Questions

