# The Intercollegiate Surgical Curriculum

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# Paediatric Surgery Syllabus



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#### Overview and objectives of the Paediatric Surgery curriculum

Paediatric Surgery is that branch of medicine that deals with the diseases, trauma and malformations of childhood years (fetal period to teenage years).

- Consultant surgeons working in this area of clinical practice will have undergone a specific training programme to furnish the knowledge, skills and professional attitudes necessary for dealing with children and their families.
- At present the majority of specialised children's surgery is performed in designated children's hospitals, or in paediatric surgical units within larger hospitals. In these settings, teams of health professionals led by consultant paediatric surgeons provide the necessary services to diagnose, treat and support the rehabilitation of children with various ailments.
- The routine workload has a very general focus with most consultants developing experience and skills across the breadth of surgery. To facilitate this, the training is broadly based and comprehensive.
- As a consequence of the breadth and variation in complexity of conditions seen and dealt with in the specialty, there are wide variations in the nature of Paediatric Surgical practice across the UK. This is impacted on by how much of the General Surgery of Childhood (simple minor surgery) is performed in District General Hospitals by suitably trained adult General Surgeons and Urologists, by the establishment of a small number of supra regional specialist units for e.g.bladder exstrophy surgery and surgery for biliary atresia and in the involvement in certain areas of work by other surgical specialties e.g. thoracic surgery by Cardiothoracic Surgeons. As a consequence of this, trainees by the start of the final stage of the syllabus, will have to have a clear idea of which areas of work they would wish to undertake as Consultants, and focus more closely on gaining experience in these areas of work.
- Most consultants will also have a commitment to an emergency workload though the nature of delivery of that will vary between different units.
- There is an increasing trend for consultants to develop further specific expertise in areas of special interest which include:
  - Neonatal Surgery
  - Urological Surgery
  - Hepatobiliary Surgery
  - o Gastrointestinal Surgery
  - Oncological Surgery.

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#### The Purposes of Training

The purpose of training in the specialty of paediatric surgery is to produce surgeons competent to work as consultant paediatric surgeons in the UK.

#### This includes:

- Competence to manage patients presenting on an unselected emergency paediatric surgical 'take', diagnosing, assessing and treating or referring on as appropriate.
- Competence in the management of patients presenting with a range of symptoms and elective conditions as specified in the core syllabus for the specialty of paediatric surgery.
- Competence to manage an additional range of elective and emergency conditions by virtue of appropriate training and assessment opportunities obtained during training.
- Professional competences as specified in the syllabus and derived from Good Medical Practice of the General Medical Council of the UK and, more recently, on the Medical Leadership Competency Framework produced by PMETB.

#### The Training Pathway

- Specialty training programmes are the route to achieving a Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT) in Paediatric Surgery. Under current guidelines this certificate is mandatory before a UK trained surgeon can apply for a consultant position in the U.K.
- Entry to training programmes is via competitive selection and successful candidates will have met the requirements set down in the person specification for the post.
- The programme of training in paediatric surgery is currently an indicative 8 years' duration and aims to furnish trainees with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to gain a CCT in paediatric surgery. Alternatively, completion of a two or three year Early Years Surgical Training programme and competitive entry to specialty training at ST3 level is being introduced as another pathway to CCT in Paediatric Surgery (see below).
- Programmes are designed to provide exposure to a wide range of surgical problems in children during training, commensurate with the requirements of the curriculum.
- In addition trainees may be exposed to more focused practice in various paediatric specialties, and it
  is possible that on a case by case basis, trainees who are pursuing special interests will elect to
  have their CCT deferred.
- New consultants are expected to manage the broad range of conditions presenting to them, within the limits of their experience and expertise. This may involve appropriate referrals within the team to colleagues having specific expertise, or to national designated centres for specified rare conditions.
- The syllabus outlines, for the benefit of trainers, trainees and assessors, the knowledge and skills to be acquired and applied, together with the levels of performance expected at various waypoints during training.
- The four stages early years, intermediate, final and special interest reflect progress through the specialty.
- Early years (CT1 CT) which exposes the trainee to a number of surgical specialties (also known as Core Training) – CT 1-2. In this Training Programme at least 6 – 12 months would have to be spent in Paediatric Surgery to allow the trainee to acquire the necessary competencies to allow progression to ST3 in Paediatric Surgery.
- The intermediate stage (ST3 and 4) introduces specialist paediatric surgical skills
- The final stage (ST5 to ST8) develops these specialist skills further
- The special interest part of the final stage (ST7 and 8) enables further development of paediatric specialisation and consolidation of specialist skills and forms the transition to CCT.
- The syllabus is not rigid to the extent that it is well recognised there will be variations in the profiles of placement allocated during each stage. The annual review and learning agreements ensure that the overall syllabus requirements are met during each stage, regardless of sequence.
- The use of the term 'patient/parent' is used to acknowledge all who have legal responsibility for the child, including guardians and professional carers.

#### The Scope and Standards of Paediatric Surgical Practice at CCT

On completion of the training programme Paediatric Surgical Trainees, including those pursuing an academic pathway, will be expected to have completed the competence based curriculum successfully. This includes the following broad areas:

#### **Professional Behaviour and Leadership Skills**

This is defined in detail in the syllabus on professional behaviour and leadership skills but there is particular emphasis on:

- Understanding the specific features of the management of children's health and illness
- Appropriate professional behaviours in dealing with children and families
- The ability to both lead and work within the relevant teams

#### **General Surgery**

- Assessment and management of children with acute abdominal pathology
- Assessment and management of trauma (including APLS certification)
- Assessment and management of children with abdominal wall herniae
- Long term management of those children presenting with index neonatal conditions
- Assessment and management of children with oncological diagnoses

#### **Neonatal Surgery**

- Assessment and management of neonates with acute abdominal pathology
- Assessment and management of neonates with abdominal wall defects
- Assessment and management of neonates with major index conditions e.g. Hirschsprung's disease, anorectal malformations, oesophageal atresia
- Assessment and management of pyloric stenosis

#### Urology

- Assessment and management of children with urinary tract infection
- Assessment and management of children with both upper and lower urinary tract abnormalities to include disorders of sex development including hypospadias
- Assessment and management of children with bladder dysfunction

#### **Areas of Special Interest**

#### **Neonatal Surgery**

This is defined as the surgery of infants up to 44 weeks post conceptual age (gestational age + postnatal age).

With the availability of antenatal diagnosis, neonatal surgical care also includes antenatal counselling of parents and other health professionals.

Neonatal surgery is an essential component of paediatric surgery and contributes significantly to the emergency workload of any general paediatric surgeon.

#### **Urological Surgery**

Paediatric urology is the surgical management of congenital and acquired anomalies of the genitourinary system in neonates and children. It forms a major component of the paediatric surgical workload.

BAPU, the British Association of Paediatric Urologists, is an active group and there are moves to have Paediatric Urology officially recognised as a sub-speciality. The majority of the work is elective and some specialist paediatric urologists elect not to take part in general paediatric surgery on-call.

All paediatric surgeons must undertake some training in paediatric urology which comprises a significant proportion of the Intercollegiate Exam in Paediatric Surgery, while those aiming for a paediatric urology post must train in general paediatric surgery.

For those intending a career in paediatric urology subspecialist training posts are available in designated posts including Birmingham, London (Great Ormond Street and the Evelina Hospital), Southampton, Leeds and Manchester. Certain conditions e.g. bladder exstrophy are managed in designated supra-regional centres: London (Great Ormond Street) and Manchester.

#### **Hepatobiliary Surgery**

This special interest area is supra regional being based in Kings Hospital, London, Birmingham Children's Hospital and Leeds. Although complex operative surgery is based in these units a full understanding of paediatric hepatobiliary surgery is part of general paediatric surgery.

By nature of the small number of surgeons required at Consultant level training in this special interest is tightly controlled.

#### **Gastrointestinal Surgery**

Gastrointestinal surgery is a major component of general paediatric surgery with the majority of paediatric surgeons involved to some extent. The division into upper and lower GI is less distinct than in adult general surgery but there is subspecialisation with inflammatory bowel disease being managed by a smaller number of surgeons.

Antireflux surgery provides a steady workload but more complex procedures such as gastro-oesophageal disconnection are generally limited to a small number of enthusiasts.

#### **Oncological Surgery**

Paediatric oncological surgery should be exclusively managed in tertiary centres by those trained and having expertise in this specific branch.

It is likely to be the full time or part time special interest of 1 or 2 surgeons within each centre.

It is expected that all paediatric surgical trainees will cover this aspect of paediatric surgery but those with a special interest may have to plan targeted training to reach the level of expertise and confidence appropriate for a consultant

#### **Laparoscopic Surgery**

Laparoscopic and, to a lesser extent, thoracoscopic surgery, are now firmly established in all Paediatric Surgical Training Centres. The minimal access approach can now be regarded as one way to perform a wide range of operative procedures in Paediatric Surgery. This revision of the syllabus establishes laparoscopic surgical techniques and operative procedures as key skills for all Paediatric Surgical trainees.

#### Thoracic Surgery

Some thoracic surgery, in some centres, is undertaken by Cardiothoracic Surgeons. In many centres, this work is undertaken by Paediatric Surgeons. Conditions seen include congenital cystademonatoid malformation of the lung, congenital lobar emphysema, empyema and surgery for oesophageal atresia.

#### **Academic Surgery**

Though the acquisition of academic skills and experience form an integral part of the training in Paediatric Surgery, there are a number of specific posts available in the UK for academic training to be delivered for those wishing to pursue a formal academic career pathway.

The most structured approach to this is now by formal appointment to an Academic Clinical Fellow (ACF) post or Academic Clinical Lectureship (ACL). These posts are centrally funded and appointed to by open competition on a national basis. They form part of the managed programmes with Deaneries providing both clinical and academic training. For further information, please go to the website of the NIHR Co-ordinating Centre for Research Capacity Development (<a href="http://www.nccrcd.nhs.uk">http://www.nccrcd.nhs.uk</a>).

Trainees interested in pursuing academic training are advised to contact their Training Programme Director.

### The Configuration and Delivery of Paediatric Surgical Services

'Surgical Care of the Young: The organisation of a first class service' (July 07) provides a clear framework for the configuration and delivery of paediatric surgical services. This involves guidelines for provision both within and outside tertiary centres.

#### **Future Trends in Paediatric Surgery**

The provision of the General Surgery of Childhood throughout the UK is becoming a serious issue of concern for service providers in the Health Service. As adult General Surgeons retire and are replaced by new Consultants who have no training in this area of work, a steady drift of work involving a large volume of relatively minor operative procedures towards the tertiary centres is expected in the next 10 years. This will require significant reconfiguration of service provision in many parts of the UK and may require trainees with a CCT in Paediatric Surgery to consider accepting Consultant posts with a significant proportion of the workload devoted to these minor cases.

#### **Key Topics**

On completion of the training programme, the Paediatric Surgical Trainee will be expected to have demonstrated competence in all aspects of the published syllabus. These would include the following areas:

#### Generic

- Understanding the specific features of the management of childrens health and illness
- Self directed learning
- Ability to assess published evidence in relation to clinical care
- Ability to teach
- Appropriate professional behaviours in dealing with children and families
- The ability to both lead and work within appropriate teams
- The ability to participate in antenatal diagnosis and counselling

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#### **Initial Stage Overview**

The purpose of the initial stage (early years) (CT1 - 3) is to allow the trainee to develop the basic and fundamental surgical skills common to all surgical specialties, together with a few surgical skills relevant to Paediatric Surgery.

The outcome of early years training is to achieve the competences required of surgeons entering ST3. These competences include:

- Competence in the management of patients presenting with a range of symptoms and elective and emergency conditions as specified in the core syllabus for surgery.
- Competence in the management of patients presenting with an additional range of elective and emergency conditions, as specified by the Paediatric Surgery specialty component of the early years syllabus.
- Professional competences as specified in the syllabus and derived from Good Medical Practice documents of General Medical Council of the UK

By the end of CT2/3, trainees, including those following an academic pathway, will have acquired to the defined level:

- Generic skills to allow team working, and management of paediatric surgical patients
- perform as a member of the team caring for surgical patients
- receive patients as emergencies and review patients in clinics and initiate management and diagnostic processes based on a reasonable differential diagnosis
- manage the perioperative care of their patients and recognise common complications and either be able to deal with them or know to whom to refer
- be safe and useful assistant in the operating room
- perform some simple procedures under minimal supervision and perform more complex procedures under direct supervision

In addition they will have attained the knowledge, skills and behaviour as defined in the following (common) modules of the syllabus:

**Module 1: Basic Science Knowledge relevant to surgical practice** (These can all be contextualised within the list of presenting symptoms and conditions outlined in module 2)

- Anatomy
- Physiology
- o Pharmacology in particular safe prescribing
- Pathological principles underlying system specific pathology
- Microbiology
- Diagnostic and interventional radiology

#### Module 2: Common surgical conditions

- To assess and initiate investigation and management of common surgical conditions which may confront any patient whilst under the care of surgeons, irrespective of their speciality.
- To have sufficient understanding of these conditions so as to know what and to whom to refer in a way that an insightful discussion may take place with colleagues whom will be involved in the definitive management of these conditions.
- This defines the scope and depth of the topics in the generality of clinical surgery required of any surgeon irrespective of their ST3 defined speciality

#### Module 3 Basic surgical skills

- o To prepare oneself for surgery
- To safely administer appropriate local anaesthetic agents
- To handle surgical instruments safely
- To handle tissues safely
- o To incise and close superficial tissues accurately
- o To tie secure knots
- To safely use surgical diathermy
- o To achieve haemostasis of superficial vessels.
- To use a suitable surgical drain appropriately.

- To assist helpfully, even when the operation is not familiar.
- o To understand the principles of anastomosis
- o To understand the principles of endoscopy including laparoscopy

#### Module 4: The principles of assessment and management of the surgical patient

- o To assess the surgical patient
- To elicit a history that is relevant, concise, accurate and appropriate to the patient's problem
- To produce timely, complete and legible clinical records.
- To assess the patient adequately prior to operation and manage any pre-operative problems appropriately.
- o To propose and initiate surgical or non-surgical management as appropriate.
- To take informed consent for straightforward cases.

#### Module 5: Peri-operative care of the surgical patient

- o To manage patient care in the peri-operative period.
- To assess and manage preoperative risk.
- o To take part in the conduct of safe surgery in the operating theatre environment.
- To assess and manage bleeding including the use of blood products.
- To care for the patient in the post-operative period including the assessment of common complications.
- To assess, plan and manage post-operative fluid balance
- o To assess and plan perioperative nutritional management.

### Module 6: Assessment and early treatment of the patient with trauma

- o To safely assess the multiply injured patient.
- o To safely assess and initiate management of patients with
  - traumatic skin and soft tissue injury
  - chest trauma
  - a head injury
  - a spinal cord injury
  - abdominal and urogenital trauma
  - vascular trauma
  - a single or multiple fractures or dislocations
  - burns

#### Module 7: Surgical care of the paediatric patient

- To assess and manage children with surgical problems, understanding the similarities and differences from adult surgical patients.
- To understand common issues of child protection and to take action as appropriate.

#### Module 8: Management of the dying patient

- o To manage the dying patient appropriately.
- To understand consent and ethical issues in patients certified DNAR (do not attempt resuscitation)
- o To manage the dying patient in consultation with the palliative care team.

#### Module 9: Organ and tissue transplantation

- o To understand the principles of organ and tissue transplantation.
- To assess brain stem death and understand its relevance to continued life support and organ donation.

#### Module 10: Professional behaviour

- o To provide good clinical care
- To be a good communicator
- To teach and to train
- o To keep up to date and know how to analyse data
- o To understand and manage people and resources within the health environment
- To promote good Health
- o To understand the ethical and legal obligations of a surgeon

In addition they will have attained the knowledge, skills and behaviour as defined in the following (paediatric surgery specific) modules of the syllabus:

#### 1. Basic science

To understand the basic anatomy that surgeons will encounter during the management of children and the embryology related to congenital anomalies.

To understand the normal physiological processes at different ages. To understand the effects of disease and trauma on these processes

To understand surgical pathology that can affect children at different ages.

#### 2. Child with abdominal pain

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with abdominal pain including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with intussusception including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 3. The vomiting child

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with vomiting including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 4. Trauma in children

Appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 5. Child with groin conditions

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with groin pathology (including undescended testis, hernia, hydrocele and painful swellings of the genitalia) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 6. Abdominal wall pathology

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with including abnormalities of the abdominal wall (including umbilical hernia, supra-umbilical hernia and epigastric hernia) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 7. Paediatric urology

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with including abnormalities of the urinary tract (including urinary tract infection) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 8. Child with Constipation

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with constipation including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 9. Head or neck swelling

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with a swelling of head or neck including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 10. Emergency paediatric surgery

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with a superficial abscess including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with an in growing toe-nail including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

- This distinguishes the anatomical and clinical features which makes the management of children special.

# **Initial Stage Topics**

Module 1	Basic sciences
Objective	<ul> <li>To acquire and demonstrate underpinning basic science knowledge appropriate for the practice of surgery, including:-</li> <li>Applied anatomy: Knowledge of anatomy appropriate for surgery</li> <li>Physiology: Knowledge of physiology relevant to surgical practice</li> <li>Pharmacology: Knowledge of pharmacology relevant to surgical practice centred around safe prescribing of common drugs</li> <li>Pathology: Knowledge of pathological principles underlying system specific pathology</li> <li>Microbiology: Knowledge of microbiology relevant to surgical practice Imaging:</li> <li>Knowledge of the principles, strengths and weaknesses of various diagnostic and interventional imaging methods</li> </ul>
	Applied anatomy:      Development and embryology     Gross and microscopic anatomy of the organs and other structures     Surface anatomy     Imaging anatomy  This will include anatomy of thorax, abdomen, pelvis, perineum, limbs, spine, head and neck as appropriate for surgical operations that the trainee will be involved with during core training (see Module 2).
	Physiology: General physiological principles including:      Homeostasis     Thermoregulation     Metabolic pathways and abnormalities     Blood loss and hypovolaemic shock     Sepsis and septic shock     Fluid balance and fluid replacement therapy     Acid base balance     Bleeding and coagulation     Nutrition
Knowledge	This will include the physiology of specific organ systems relevant to surgical care including the cardiovascular, respiratory, gastrointestinal, urinary, endocrine and neurological systems.
	<ul> <li>Pharmacology:         <ul> <li>The pharmacology and safe prescribing of drugs used in the treatment of surgical diseases including analgesics, antibiotics, cardiovascular drugs, antiepileptic, anticoagulants, respiratory drugs, renal drugs, drugs used for the management of endocrine disorders (including diabetes) and local anaesthetics.</li> <li>The principles of general anaesthesia</li> <li>The principles of drugs used in the treatment of common malignancies</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Pathology: General pathological principles including:  Inflammation  Wound healing  Cellular injury  Tissue death including necrosis and apoptosis  Vascular disorders  Disorders of growth, differentiation and morphogenesis  Surgical immunology  Surgical haematology

- Surgical biochemistry
- Pathology of neoplasia
- Classification of tumours
- Tumour development and growth including metastasis
- Principles of staging and grading of cancers
- Principles of cancer therapy including surgery, radiotherapy, chemotherapy, immunotherapy and hormone therapy
- Principles of cancer registration
- Principles of cancer screening
- The pathology of specific organ systems relevant to surgical care including cardiovascular pathology, respiratory pathology, gastrointestinal pathology, genitourinary disease, breast, exocrine and endocrine pathology, central and peripheral, neurological systems, skin, lymphoreticular and musculoskeletal systems

#### Microbiology:

- Surgically important micro organisms including blood borne viruses
- Soft tissue infections including cellulitis, abscesses, necrotising fasciitis, gangrene
- Sources of infection
- Sepsis and septic shock
- Asepsis and antisepsis
- Principles of disinfection and sterilisation
- Antibiotics including prophylaxis and resistance
- Principles of high risk patient management
- Hospital acquired infections

#### Imaging:

 Principles of diagnostic and interventional imaging including x-rays, ultrasound, CT, MRI. PET, radio nucleotide scanning

Module 2	Common Surgical Conditions		
Objective	This section assumes that trainees have general medical competences consistent with a doctor leaving Foundation in the UK. It also assumes an ongoing commitment to keeping these skills and knowledge up to date as laid out in GMP. It is predicated on the value that surgeons are doctors who carry our surgery and require competence.  To demonstrate understanding of the relevant basic scientific principles for each of these surgical conditions and to be able to provide the relevant clinical care as defined in modules assessment and management as defined in Modules 1 and 4.		
Topics	Presenting symptoms or syndromes	To include the following conditions	
	Breast disease  • Breast lumps and nipple discharge	To include the following conditions  Benign and malignant breast lumps  Mastitis and breast abscess	

Acute Breast pain	
Peripheral vascular disease Presenting symptoms or syndrome	To include the following conditions
Cardiovascular and pulmonary disease	To include the following conditions
Genitourinary disease Presenting symptoms or syndrome      Loin pain     Haematuria     Lower urinary tract symptoms     Urinary retention     Renal failure     Scrotal swellings     Testicular pain	To include the following conditions
Trauma and orthopaedics Presenting symptoms or syndrome  Traumatic limb and joint pain and deformity  Chronic limb and joint pain and deformity  Back pain	To include the following conditions <ul> <li>Simple fractures and joint dislocations</li> <li>Fractures around the hip and ankle</li> <li>Basic principles of Degenerative joint disease</li> <li>Basic principles of inflammatory joint disease including bone and joint infection</li> <li>Compartment syndrome</li> <li>Spinal nerve root entrapment and spinal cord compression</li> <li>Metastatic bone cancer</li> <li>Common peripheral neuropathies and nerve injuries</li> </ul>
Disease of the Skin, Head and Neck Presenting symptoms or syndrome  • Lumps in the neck  • Epistaxis  • Upper airway obstructions	To include the following conditions
Neurology and Neurosurgery Presenting symptoms or syndrome      Headache     Facial pain     Coma	To include the following conditions  • Space occupying lesions from bleeding and tumour
Endocrine Presenting symptoms or syndrome  • Lumps in the neck • Acute endocrine crises	To include the following conditions

Module 3	Basic surgical skills	
Objective	Preparation of the surgeon for surgery	
	Safe administration of appropriate local anaesthetic agents	

Acquisition of basic surgical skills in instrument and tissue handling.     Understanding of the formation and healing of surgical wounds     Incise superficial tissues accurately with suitable instruments.     Close superficial tissues accurately.     Tie secure knots.     Safely use surgical diathermy     Achieve haemostasis of superficial vessels.     Use suitable methods of retraction.     Knowledge of when to use a drain and which to choose.     Handle tissues gently with appropriate instruments.     Assist helpfully, even when the operation is not familiar.     Understand the principles of anastomosis     Understand the principles of endoscopy including laparoscopy  Knowledge  Principles of safe surgery     Preparation of the surgeon for surgery     Principles of hand washing, scrubbing and gowning	
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<ul> <li>Immunisation protocols for surgeons and patients</li> <li>Administration of local anaesthesia</li> <li>Choice of anaesthetic agent</li> </ul>	
Safe practise	
Surgical wounds  Classification of surgical wounds  Principles of wound management  Pathophysiology of wound healing  Scars and contractures  Incision of skin and subcutaneous tissue:  Langer's lines  Choice of instrument  Safe practice  Closure of skin and subcutaneous tissue:  Options for closure  Suture and needle choice  Safe practice	
Knot tying	
<ul> <li>Surgical techniques</li> <li>Principles of diathermy</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Tissue handling and retraction:         <ul> <li>Choice of instruments</li> </ul> </li> <li>Biopsy techniques including fine needle aspiration cytology</li> </ul>	
Use of drains:  Indications  Types  Management/removal  Principles of anastomosis  Principles of surgical endoscopy including laparoscopy	
Clinical Skills 4 Preparation of the surgeon for surgery	
<ul> <li>Effective and safe hand washing, gloving and gowning</li> <li>4 Preparation of a patient for surgery</li> <li>Creation of a sterile field</li> <li>Antisepsis</li> <li>Draping</li> </ul>	

	Administration of local anaesthesia     Accurate and safe administration of local anaesthetic agent
Technical Skills and Procedures	Preparation of the surgeon for surgery     Effective and safe hand washing, gloving and gowning
	Administration of local anaesthesia     Accurate and safe administration of local anaesthetic agent
	<ul> <li>Incision of skin and subcutaneous tissue: <ul> <li>Ability to use scalpel, diathermy and scissors</li> </ul> </li> <li>Closure of skin and subcutaneous tissue: <ul> <li>Accurate and tension free apposition of wound edges</li> </ul> </li> <li>Knot tying: <ul> <li>Single handed</li> <li>Double handed</li> <li>Instrument</li> <li>Superficial</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Deep  Haemostasis:     Control of bleeding vessel (superficial)     Diathermy     Suture ligation     Tie ligation     Clip application     Transfixion suture
	4 Tissue retraction:  • Tissue forceps  • Placement of wound retractors
	3 Use of drains:     Insertion     Fixation     Removal
	<ul> <li>3 Tissue handling:</li> <li>Appropriate application of instruments and respect for tissues</li> <li>Biopsy techniques</li> </ul>
	Skill as assistant:     Anticipation of needs of surgeon when assisting

Module 4	The assessment and management of the surgical patient	
Objective	To demonstrate the relevant knowledge, skills and attitudes in assessing the patient and manage the patient, and propose surgical or non-surgical management.	
Knowledge	The knowledge relevant to this section will be variable from patient to patient and is covered within the rest of the syllabus – see common surgical conditions in particular (Module 2).  As a trainee develops an interest in a particular speciality then the principles of history taking and examination may be increasingly applied in that context.	
Clinical Skills	4 Surgical history and examination (elective and emergency) 3 Construct a differential diagnosis 3 Plan investigations 3 Clinical decision making 3 Team working and planning	

2	Case work up and evaluation; risk management
3	
3	Active participation in clinical audit events
3	Appropriate prescribing
3	Taking consent for intermediate level intervention; emergency and elective
3	Written clinical communication skills
3	Interactive clinical communication skills: patients
3	Interactive clinical communication skills: colleagues

Module 5	Peri-operative care
Objective	To assess and manage preoperative risk To manage patient care in the peri-operative period To conduct safe surgery in the operating theatre environment To assess and manage bleeding including the use of blood products To care for the patient in the post-operative period including the assessment of common complications To assess, plan and manage post-operative fluid balance To assess and plan perioperative nutritional management
Knowledge	Pre-operative assessment and management:

Methods of enteral and parenteral nutrition

#### Haemostasis and Blood Products:

- Mechanism of haemostasis including the clotting cascade
- Pathology of impaired haemostasis e.g. haemophilia, liver disease, massive haemorrhage
- Components of blood
- Alternatives to use of blood products
- Principles of administration of blood products
- Patient safety with respect to blood products

#### Coagulation, deep vein thrombosis and embolism:

- Clotting mechanism (Virchow Triad)
- Effect of surgery and trauma on coagulation
- Tests for thrombophilia and other disorders of coagulation
- Methods of investigation for suspected thromboembolic disease
- Principles of treatment of venous thrombosis and pulmonary embolism including anticoagulation
- Role of V/Q scanning, CTpulmonary angiography, D-dimer and thrombolysis
- Place of pulmonary embolectomy
- Prophylaxis of thromboembolism:
- Risk classification and management of DVT
- Knowledge of methods of prevention of DVT, mechanical and pharmacological

#### Antibiotics:

- Common pathogens in surgical patients
- Antibiotic sensitivities
- Antibiotic side-effects
- Principles of prophylaxis and treatment

#### Metabolic and endocrine disorders in relation to perioperative management

- Pathophysiology of thyroid hormone excess and deficiency and associated risks from surgery
- Causes and effects of hypercalcaemia and hypocalcaemia
- Complications of corticosteroid therapy
- Causes and consequences of Steroid insufficiency
- Complications of diabetes mellitus
- Causes and effects of hyponatraemia
- Causes and effects of hyperkalaemia and hypokalaemia

#### 3 Pre-operative assessment and management:

- History and examination of a patient from a medical and surgical standpoint
- Interpretation of pre-operative investigations
- Management of co morbidity
- Resuscitation
- Appropriate preoperative prescribing including premedication

#### 3 Intra-operative care:

- Safe conduct of intraoperative care
- Correct patient positioning
- · Avoidance of nerve injuries
- Management of sharps injuries
- Prevention of diathermy injury
- Prevention of venous thrombosis

#### 3 Post-operative care:

- Writing of operation records
- Assessment and monitoring of patient's condition
- Post-operative analgesia
- Fluid and electrolyte management
- Detection of impending organ failure
- Initial management of organ failure

#### Paediatric Surgery

Clinical Skills

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		Principles and indications for Dialysis
		Recognition, prevention and treatment of post-operative complications
	3	Haemostasis and Blood Products:
		Recognition of conditions likely to lead to the diathesis
		Recognition of abnormal bleeding during surgery
		Appropriate use of blood products
		Management of the complications of blood product transfusion
	3	Coagulation, deep vein thrombosis and embolism
		Recognition of patients at risk
		<ul> <li>Awareness and diagnosis of pulmonary embolism and DVT</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Role of duplex scanning, venography and d-dimer measurement</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Initiate and monitor treatment of venous thrombosis and pulmonary embolism</li> </ul>
		Initiation of prophylaxis
	3	Antibiotics:
		Appropriate prescription of antibiotics
	3	Assess and plan preoperative nutritional management
		Arrange access to suitable artificial nutritional support, preferably via a
		nutrition team including Dietary supplements, Enteral nutrition and Parenteral
		nutrition
	3	Metabolic and endocrine disorders
		History and examination in patients with endocrine and electrolyte disorders
		<ul> <li>Investigation and management of thyrotoxicosis and hypothyroidism</li> </ul>
		Investigation and management of hypercalcaemia and hypocalcaemia
		Peri-operative management of patients on steroid therapy
		Peri-operative management of diabetic patients
		Investigation and management of hyponatraemia
		Investigation and management of hyperkalaemia and hypokalaemia
Technical Skills and	2	Central venous line insertion
Procedures	4	Urethral catheterisation
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Module 6	Assessment and management of patients with trauma (including the multiply injured patient)
Objective	Assess and initiate management of patients  Who have sustained chest trauma who have sustained a head injury who have sustained a spinal cord injury who have sustained abdominal and urogenital trauma who have sustained vascular trauma who have sustained a single or multiple fractures or dislocations who have sustained traumatic skin and soft tissue injury who have sustained burns Safely assess the multiply injured patient. Contextualise any combination of the above Be able to prioritise management in such situation as defined by ATLS, APLS etc
Knowledge	General

	Adult respiratory distress syndrome
	Indications for using uncross matched blood
	Wounds and soft tissus injuries
	Wounds and soft tissue injuries  • Gunshot and blast injuries
	Stab wounds
	Human and animal bites
	Nature and mechanism of soft tissue injury
	Principles of management of soft tissue injuries
	Principles of management of traumatic wounds
	Compartment syndrome
	Burns
	Classification of burns
	Principle of management of burns
	Fractures
	Classification of fractures
	Pathophysiology of fractures
	Principles of management of fractures
	Complications of fractures
	Joint injuries
	Organ specific trauma
	Pathophysiology of thoracic trauma
	Pneumothorax
	Head injuries including traumatic intracranial haemorrhage and brain injury
	Spinal cord injury
	Peripheral nerve injuries
	Blunt and penetrating abdominal trauma
	Including spleen
	Vascular injury including iatrogenic injuries and intravascular drug abuse
	<ul> <li>Crush injury</li> <li>Principles of management of skin loss including use of skin grafts and skin</li> </ul>
	flaps
	General
	4 History and examination
	3 Investigation
	3 Referral to appropriate surgical subspecialties
	4 Resuscitation and early management of patient who has sustained thoracic, head, spinal, abdominal or limb injury according to ATLS and APLS guidelines
Clinical Skills	4 Resuscitation and early management of the multiply injured patient
Cili licai Skilis	1. Resultance and early management of the multiply injured patient
	3 Specific problems
	Management of the unconscious patient
	Initial management of skin loss
	Initial management of burns     Provention and early management of the compartment syndrome.
	Prevention and early management of the compartment syndrome  Operation and early management of the compartment syndrome
	2 Central venous line insertion 3 Chest drain insertion
Technical Skills and	2 Diagnostic peritoneal lavage
Procedures	4 Urethral catheterisation
	2 Suprapubic catheterisation
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Module 7	Surgical care of the Paediatric patient
Objective	To assess and manage children with surgical problems, understanding the similarities and differences from adult surgical patients
	To understand the issues of child protection and to take action as appropriate

Knowledge	<ul> <li>Physiological and metabolic response to injury and surgery</li> <li>Fluid and electrolyte balance</li> <li>Thermoregulation Safe prescribing in children</li> <li>Principles of vascular access in children</li> <li>Working knowledge of trust and Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCBs) and Child Protection Procedures</li> <li>Basic understanding of child protection law</li> <li>Understanding of Children's rights</li> <li>Working knowledge of types and categories of child maltreatment, presentations, signs and other features (primarily physical, emotional, sexual, neglect, professional)</li> <li>Understanding of one's personal role, responsibilities and appropriate referral patterns in child protection</li> <li>Understanding of the challenges of working in partnership with children and families</li> <li>Recognise the possibility of abuse or maltreatment</li> <li>Recognise limitations of own knowledge and experience and seek appropriate expert advice</li> <li>Urgently consult immediate senior in surgery to enable referral to paediatricians</li> <li>Keep appropriate written documentation relating to child protection matters</li> <li>Communicate effectively with those involved with child protection, including children and their families</li> </ul>
Clinical Skills	<ul> <li>History and examination of paediatric surgical patient</li> <li>Assessment of respiratory and cardiovascular status</li> <li>Undertake consent for surgical procedures (appropriate to the level of training) in paediatric patients</li> </ul>

Module 8	Management of the dying patient
Objective	Ability to manage the dying patient appropriately.
	To understand consent and ethical issues in patients certified DNAR (do not attempt resuscitation)
	Palliative Care: Good management of the dying patient in consultation with the palliative care team.
Knowledge	Palliative Care:
Clinical Skills	3 Palliative Care:

Module 9	Organ and Tissue transplantation
Objective	To understand the principles of organ and tissue transplantation
Knowledge	<ul> <li>Principles of transplant immunology including tissue typing, acute, hyperactute and chronic rejection</li> <li>Principles of immunosuppression</li> <li>Tissue donation and procurement</li> <li>Indications for whole organ transplantation</li> </ul>

#### Requirement to meet the ST3 in Paediatric Surgery

In order to meet the job specifications of an ST3 trainee an early year's trainee must take a clear role in the paediatric surgical team managing clinic and ward based children and their parents and carers under supervision, including the management of acute paediatric surgical admissions. They will need to be able to take part in an outpatient clinic and see patients with their carers themselves with the consultant available for advice.

Therefore in early years training, IN ADDITION to the generic competencies for all surgeons, it is necessary to address the specifics of a developing interest in paediatric surgery during these years. This means spending 6-12 months in paediatric surgery in a service which gives trainees access to the appropriate learning opportunities. Also by the time a trainee enters ST3 they need to be familiar with the operating room environment both with respect to elective and emergency cases.

Trainees must attend MDT and other Departmental meetings and ward rounds, prepare patients for elective operating lists (including inpatient, day-case and endoscopy), and actually perform some surgery under appropriate supervision. They must manage all patients in a paediatric ward environment as part of the paediatric care team, preoperatively and post operatively. This includes recognising and initiating the management of common complications and emergencies, over and above those already laid out in the generic curriculum, particularly module 2.

The range of conditions a trainee needs to manage is laid out below and in the depth demonstrated in a text book such as Jones Clinical Paediatric Surgery Diagnosis and Management

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Essentials of Paediatric Urology D Thomas, A Rickwood, P Duffy

#### 1. Basic science

To understand the basic anatomy that surgeons will encounter during the management of children and the embryology related to congenital anomalies.

To understand the normal physiological processes at different ages. To understand the effects of disease and trauma on these processes

To understand surgical pathology that can affect children at different ages.

#### 2. Child with abdominal pain

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with abdominal pain including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with intussusception including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 3. The vomiting child

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with vomiting including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 4. Trauma in children

To be able to assess and initiate the immediate management of a child presenting with trauma including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 5. Child with groin conditions

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with groin pathology (including undescended testis, hernia, hydrocele and painful swellings of the genitalia) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 6. Abdominal wall pathology

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with including abnormalities of the abdominal wall (including umbilical hernia, supra-umbilical hernia and epigastric hernia) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 7. Paediatric urology

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with including abnormalities of the urinary tract (including urinary tract infection and haematuria) including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 8. Child with Constipation

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with constipation including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 9. Head or neck swelling

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting with a swelling of head or neck including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers

#### 10. Emergency paediatric surgery

To be able to assess and initiate management of a child presenting as an emergency with a range of paediatric surgical conditions including appropriate communication with relevant family or carers and senior staff.

- This distinguishes the anatomical and clinical features which makes the management of children special.

	Early Years training in Paediatric surgery	
Sub Topic	Anatomy	
Objective	To understand the basic anatomy that surgeons will encounter during the management of children, and the embryological development of anatomical systems.	
	CARDIOVASCULAR: Embryogenesis of heart and major vessels, and formation of the lymphatic system Common anatomical variations of heart chambers, valves and major vessels Surgical anatomy of heart and major arteries + veins in thorax, neck, abdomen and groins  RESPIRATORY:	
	Embryogenesis of trachea and bronchial tree	
	Lung development Common anatomical variations of respiratory tree and lungs to include vascular anomalies	
	Surgical anatomy of pleura, lung and trachea and bronchial tree	
	GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT AND ABDOMINAL WALL: Embryogenesis of the GIT to include formation of the solid organs, anorectum, and abdominal wall Common anatomical variations in the formation of the GIT and abdominal wall Surgical anatomy of the GIT and its relations to other systems	
Knowledge	RENAL: Embryogenesis of the upper and lower renal tract to include male and female genital development Common anatomical variations of the renal tract and genitalia Surgical anatomy of the renal tract, and associated genital structures to include relationships to other systems	
	NEUROLOGICAL: Embryogenesis of the brain and spinal cord, and of the supporting structures (skull, vertebral column) Common anatomical variations of the brain and spinal cord Surgical anatomy of the brain, spinal cord and major somatic nerves (to include relationships to other systems)	
	MUSCULO SKELETAL: Embryogenesis of the skeleton and muscle development Common anatomical variations of skeleton Surgical anatomy of skeleton where relevant to other systems	

Sub Topic	Clinical
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting acutely with acute surgical pathology (see examples below) as the suspected diagnosis or To be able to assess a child presenting acutely with non acute surgical pathology (see example below) as the

	suspected diagnosis To be able to assess a child presenting with
Knowledge	Nowledge in general
Clinical Skills	Causes and principles of management of constipation Ingrowing toenail Common swellings of the neck in children The normal development of the foreskin Likely effects of different types of trauma and relation to age of child  Ability to assess child Ability to assess ill child including an assessment of severity of dehydration. Ability to communicate with child, parents and carers
Oliffical Okilis	Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  Appendicectomy (open/laparoscopic) (2) Pyloromyotomy (2)
Technical Skills and Procedures	Inguinal herniotomy (non-neonatal) (2) Umbilical and epigastric hernia repair (2) Surgery for hydrocele (2) Prepucioplasty (1) Circumcision (2) Surgery for undescended testis (1) Surgery for acute scrotum (2) Insertion of supra-pubic catheter (2) Cystourethroscopy (2) Ingrowing toenail surgery (2)

Open and air enema reduction of intussusception (1) Upper GI endoscopy (1) Chest drain insertion (1)
Suction rectal biopsy (2)  Manual evacuation of stool (2)
Examination under anaesthetic of rectum (2)
Anal stretch (2) Excision of skin lesion (2)
Excision/biopsy of lymph node (1) Incision and drainage of abscess (2)

#### **Assessment**

The speciality elements of the early years will all be assessed primarily in the workplace and then scrutinised in the Annual Review of Competency Progression. All these documents would be included in a portfolio which would contribute as evidence in subsequent applications to enter ST3.

Specific evidence includes

Assessment type	Subject
DOPS a selection of types	Insertion of a suprapubic catheter
	Circumcision
and numbers of each type	0.100.110.010
according to learning	Suction rectal biopsy
agreements	Manual evacuation of stool
	EUA Rectum
	Anal stretch
	Abscess drainage
	Herniotomy
	Testicular torsion
Case Based Discussion	four per six months of attachment
CEX	History taking from a child and their carers
	Examining a child
	Taking consent
PBAs	Appendicectomy
	Inguinal herniotomy
	Pyloromyotomy
	Surgery for hydrocele
	Repair of umbilical hernia
Training Supervisors report	Evidenced by the above WPBAs
ARCP for each specified	As per local Deanery specifications
training interval	
MRCS	Generic syllabus

#### Intermediate Stage Overview

#### **Entry into ST3**

Entry into ST3 will usually involve a competitive selection process. The current person specifications for entry into ST3 in general surgery are shown on the <u>Modernising Medical Careers website</u>. The essential components are completion of the common component of the core surgical training programme (as evidenced by successful ARCP, WBA and completion of the MRCS examination) and completion of the specialty components of the early years training as evidenced by a successful ARCP and completion of the appropriate WBA.

The aim of the intermediate stage (ST3 and 4) is to allow the trainee to continue to develop the skills knowledge and attitude required to practise Paediatric Surgery in the U.K health system.

Trainee will build on the basic skills and competences achieved in the initial stage of the programme, gaining exposure to the more specialised areas of practice. It is expected that the trainees will continue to build on their clinical experiences and be able to demonstrate competent practice in the operations detailed at the end of the initial stage.

The curriculum goals are presented in a modular fashion for ease of reference and recording of achievement rather than as a suggested teaching package. In some centres the trainees may work for firms in which there is an element of specialisation (paediatric urology is a prime example of this), but in other units there may be a more widespread range of experience to be obtained. There will obviously be areas of duplicate coverage and again this curriculum should be viewed as a framework to aid understanding rather than as a proscriptive document.

The different sections will contain a mixture of information on relevant conditions, symptom patterns and associated surgical operations. This is in an attempt to represent the variety of clinical practice. Overall these goals outlined are simply guides to progress and should be used by trainees, trainers and Programme Directors to help plan rotational placements to ensure a full breadth of training.

Acquisition of competencies in Paediatric Urology will depend on what year the trainee is in when exposed to this aspect of Paediatric Surgery and in which centre the trainee gets this exposure. If the trainee wishes to acquire the ST7/8 or Paediatric Urology module competencies, it is recommended that the trainee applies for one of the subspecialty posts in the designated Paediatric Urology centres (see final stage and Paediatric Urology Special Interest module later in the syllabus).

The following modules are included:

- Gastrointestinal
- Neonatology
- General Urology
- Thoracic
- Oncology
- Endocrine
- Surgical Disciplines
- Research and Audit
- Teaching and Training.

The expected outcomes for this phase of training are as follows:

- Further experience in the management of the common surgical problems of childhood
- A practitioner with integrity, respect and compassion
- Increasing exposure to the more specialised areas of paediatric surgery to include clinical presentation, operative and non-operative management of cases within the different areas.
- Competence in further range of operations common to paediatric practice

The operative skills outlined here are those relevant to this stage of surgical training. Many are related to the conditions outlined in the specialty modules.

Again the curriculum is there to act as a guide to a minimum level of competence to be achieved by the end of ST4. The operations detailed here are those it is reasonable to expect the trainee to be able to perform either independently or with consultant assistance available but not necessarily at the operating table.

Although this list is not exhaustive it gives an indication of those procedures that it is reasonable to expect a trainee by the end of ST4 to have been exposed to and in the case of the marked procedures (\*) be deemed competent to perform.

#### **Elective Procedures**

- Gastrostomy open / PEG\*
- Fundoplication
- Splenectomy / cholecystectomy
- Upper GI Endoscopy (flexible)
- Exomphalos minor
- Anoplasty for low anorectal malformation
- Intestinal resection and anastamosis (non-neonatal)
- Rectal Biopsy for Hirschsprungs (suction/open)\*
- Inguinal herniae infant and neonatal (not extreme prematurity)
- Colostomy closure\*
- C.V. line insertion\*
- Open biopsy of tumours
- Muscle biopsy\*
- Cystoscopy\*
- · Repair distal hypospadias
- Simple Nephrectomy (dysplastic kidney)
- Ureteric reimplant / submucosal injection
- Closure of vesicostomy or ureterostomy
- Laparoscopic approach for diagnosis\*

#### **Emergency Procedures**

- Gastroschisis closure (primary or silo)
- Colostomy formation anorectal malformations / Hirschsprungs disease\*
- Correction of malrotation\*
- Meconium ileus enterotomy / or stoma formation
- Operative reduction / resection of intussusception\*
- Urinary diversion (ureterostomy/vesicostomy formation)
- Removal of oesophageal foreign body

Click on Workplace Based Assessments to view the assessment forms including DOPS and PBAs

# **Intermediate Stage Topics**

Topic	Groin conditions
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with 'groin pathology' To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source
Knowledge	INGUINAL HERNIA:  3 Developmental anatomy 2 Natural history 3 Indications and outcomes of surgery  HYDROCELE:  3 Developmental anatomy 2 Natural history 3 Place of conservative management 3 Indications and outcomes of surgery  UNDESCENDED TESTIS: 3 Developmental anatomy 2 Natural history of undescended testis and retractile testis 2 Place of conservative management 2 Indications and outcomes of surgery  PENILE CONDITIONS: 3 Developmental anatomy 2 Natural history 3 Place of conservative management 3 Indications and outcomes of surgery  ACUTE SCROTUM: 3 Natural history 2 Place of conservative management
	3 Indications and outcomes of surgery  INGUINAL HERNIA:  3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 3 Ability to form a treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Clinical Skills	HYDROCELE:  3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis  3 Ability to form a treatment plan  3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  UNDESCENDED TESTIS:  3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis  3 Ability to differentiate true undescended testis from retractile variant  3 Ability to form a treatment plan

	3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	PENILE CONDITIONS:  3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis  3 Ability to form a treatment plan  3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	ACUTE SCROTUM: 3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 3 Ability to form a treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	Hernia (ST3): 2 Inguinal herniotomy (non-neonatal) 1 Inguinal hernia (neonatal)
	Hydrocele (ST3): 2 Surgery for hydrocele
	Penile Conditions (ST3): 2 Prepucioplasty 2 Circumcision
	Undescended testis (ST3): 2 Surgery for undescended testis
Technical Skills	Acute scrotum (ST3): 2 Surgery for acute scrotum
and Procedures	Hernia (ST4): 3 Inguinal herniotomy (non-neonatal) 2 Inguinal hernia (neonatal)
	Hydrocele (ST4): 3 Surgery for hydrocele
	Penile Conditions (ST4): 3 Prepucioplasty 3 Circumcision
	Undescended testis (ST4): 2 Surgery for undescended testis
	Acute scrotum (ST4): 3 Surgery for acute scrotum

Topic	Abdominal wall pathologies
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with abnormalities of the abdominal wall To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source
Knowledge	UMBILICAL HERNIA:  3 Developmental anatomy

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	3 Natural history
	2 Place of conservative management
	2 Indications and outcomes of surgery
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	2 Indications and outcomes of surgery
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	EPIGASTRIC HERNIA:
	3 Developmental anatomy
	2 Natural history
	2 Indications and outcomes of surgery
	UMBILICAL HERNIA:
	3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis
	2 Ability to form a treatment plan
	3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	SUPRA-UMBILICAL HERNIA:
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis
Cililical Skills	2 Ability to form a treatment plan
	3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	EPIGASTRIC HERNIA:
	3 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis
	2 Ability to form a treatment plan
	3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	Umbilical hernia (ST3):
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	Epigastric hernia (ST3):
	2 Repair of epigastric hernia
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	Epigastric hernia (ST4):
	3 Repair of epigastric hernia
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Topic	Head and neck swellings
Category	General surgery of childhood
Sub-category:	Management of benign surgical conditions
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with a head/neck swelling as the primary presenting symptom To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology, relevant anatomy and age of child 3 Relevance of embryonic development of head and neck structures 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups

Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 Excision skin lesion 2 Excision/biopsy of lymph nodes  2 Surgery for thyroglossal cyst 2 Surgery for branchial cysts and branchial remnants  ST4: 3 Excision skin lesion 3 Excision/biopsy of lymph nodes 2 Surgery for thyroglossal cyst 2 Surgery for branchial cysts and branchial remnants
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Topic	Access
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	Vascular access (ST3): 1 Central venous lines and ports (incl percutaneous)  Dialysis (ST3): 1 PD catheter insertion/removal  Vascular access (ST4): 2 Central venous lines and ports (incl percutaneous)  Dialysis (ST4): 2 PD catheter insertion/removal

Topic	Pyloric stenosis
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess an infant with vomiting To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to make a diagnosis of pyloric stenosis To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to parents, other team members/referral source
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology 4 Significance of bile stained vomiting 3 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 3 understanding of the biochemical changes associated with the condition
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child including an assessment of severity of dehydration 4 Ability to safely correct the dehydration and biochemical abnormalities 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan

	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 Pyloromyotomy ST4: 3 Pyloromyotomy

Topic	Gastro-oesophageal reflux
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Pathophysiology     Investigation and management     Indications for operative intervention
Clinical Skills	Ability to synthesise history and investigations into appropriate management plan     Ability to communicate information to parents/child
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 OGD with biopsy 1 Oesophageal dilatation 1 Gastrostomy - open 1 PEG (insertion/removal) 1 Fundoplication (open/laparoscopic)  ST4: 2 OGD with biopsy 2 Oesophageal dilatation 2 Gastrostomy - open 2 PEG (insertion/removal) 2 Fundoplication (open/laparoscopic)

Topic	Abdominal pain
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis

	Place and value of investigations     Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 3 Appendicectomy (open and laparoscopic) 2 Operative reduction of intussusception ST4: 3 Appendicectomy (open and laparoscopic) 2 Operative reduction of intussusception

Topic	Constipation
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 2 Differential diagnosis to include medical anomalies and socio-psychological aspects of symptom 3 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups. 2 To include community aspects of further management
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 Rectal Biopsy 3 Manual evacuation 3 EUA rectum 3 Anal stretch  ST4: 3 Rectal Biopsy 3 Manual evacuation 3 EUA rectum 3 Anal stretch

Topic	Gastro-intestinal bleeding
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases

	To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 OGD 1 Colonoscopy 2 Sigmoidoscopy 1 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (Meckels)  ST4: 3 OGD 1 Colonoscopy 3 Sigmoidoscopy 2 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (Meckels)

Topic	Intestinal obstruction
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 Laparotomy 1 Adhesiolysis 1 Small bowel resection/anastomosis 2 OGD  ST4: 2 Laparotomy 2 Adhesiolysis 2 Small bowel resection/anastomosis 2 OGD

Topic	Inflammatory bowel disease
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 2 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 2 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Colonoscopy 2 Sigmoidoscopy 1 Small bowel resection/anastomosis 1 Right hemicolectomy 1 Left hemicolectomy 1 Total colectomy  ST4: 1 Colonoscopy 3 Sigmoidoscopy 1 Small bowel resection/anastomosis 2 Right hemicolectomy 1 Left hemicolectomy 1 Left hemicolectomy 1 Left hemicolectomy 1 Total colectomy

Topic	Short bowel syndrome
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups

Technical Skills and Procedures

No content

Topic	Liver disease
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess ill child 3 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Cholecystectomy (open/laparoscopic) ST4: 1 Cholecystectomy (open/laparoscopic)

Topic	Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Different management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Operation for diaphragmatic hernia (neonate) ST4: 2 Operation for diaphragmatic hernia (neonate)

Topic	Intestinal atresias
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Different management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Duodeno- duodenostomy 1 Intestinal resection/anastomosis 1 Stoma formation  ST4: 1 Duodeno- duodenostomy 2 Intestinal resection/anastomosis 2 Stoma formation

Topic	Meconium ileus
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children including the appropriate use of radiological techniques in diagnosis and management To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal + genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Operation for meconium ileus ST4: 1 Operation for meconium ileus

Topic	Malrotation

Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period  To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children  To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases  To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Correction of malrotation ST4: 2 Correction of malrotation

Topic	Hirschsprungs disease
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Rectal biopsy 2 Rectal washout 1 Trans-anal pull through +/- laparoscopic assistance 1 Duhamel procedure  ST4: 2 Rectal biopsy 2 Rectal biopsy 1 Trans-anal pull through +/- laparoscopic assistance 1 Duhamel procedure

Topic	Anorectal malformations
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Anoplasty 1 Sigmoid colostomy 1 PSARP  ST4: 2 Anoplasty 2 Sigmoid colostomy 1 PSARP

Topic	Oesophageal atresia and tracheo-oesophageal fistula
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Operation for oesophageal atresia/TOF 1 Oesophageal dilatation (neonatal)  ST4: 1 Operation for oesophageal atresia/TOF 1 Oesophageal dilatation (neonatal)

Topic	Necrotising enterocolitis
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation 2 Patho-physiology of the condition 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Laparotomy 1 Intestinal resection/anastomosis ST4: 2 Laparotomy 1 Intestinal resection/anastomosis

Topic	Neonatal abdominal wall defects
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Repair of gastroschisis (operative or the application of preformed silos) 1 Repair of exomphalos ST4: 2 Repair of gastroschisis (operative or the application of preformed silos) 1 Repair of exomphalos

Topic	Disorders of Sex Development (DSD)
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 2 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 2 Associated anomalies 2 Outcome data on the condition 2 Differing management strategies 2 Role of genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Antenatal management
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation of different conditions 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Types of and indications for antenatal intervention 2 Role of ante-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to counsel and inform parents     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Generic procedures
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Tumour biopsy

ST4:
1 Tumour biopsy

Topic	Wilms tumour
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Mode of clinical presentation 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis 2 Outcome data of treatment modalities 2 Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Nephro-ureterectomy ST4: 1 Nephro-ureterectomy

Topic	Neuroblastoma
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Surgery for neuroblastoma ST4: 1 Surgery for neuroblastoma

Topic	Hepatoblastoma
Category	Oncology

Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Only specialist centre

Topic	Soft tissue tumours
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Local excision soft tissue tumour ST4: 1 Local excision soft tissue tumour

Topic	Haematological malignancies
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours  To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan  To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Management strategies and basic outcome data of treatment modalities

II Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
and Procedures	ST3: 2 Cervical Lymph node biopsy ST4: 2 Cervical Lymph node biopsy

Topic	Osteosarcoma
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Management strategy and basic outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
II CHINICAL SKIIIS	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Benign tumours
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Oopherectomy 1 Oophero-salpingectomy ST4: 2 Oopherectomy 2 Oophero-salpingectomy

Topic	Adrenal gland
Category	Endocrine conditions

Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Adrenalectomy ST4: 1 Adrenalectomy

Topic	Thyroid gland
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Thyroidectomy ST4: 1 Thyroidectomy

Topic	Parathyroid disease
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups

Technical Skills and Procedures

No content

Topic	Diabetes
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 OGD ST4: 2 OGD

Topic	Disorders of growth
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 OGD ST4: 2 OGD

Topic	Disorders of sex development
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Subcutaneous mastectomy ST4: 1 Subcutaneous mastectomy

Topic	Chest wall anomalies
Category	Thoracic Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways     Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Repair Pectus excavatum 1 Repair Pectus carinatum  ST4: 1 Repair Pectus excavatum 1 Repair Pectus excavatum 1 Repair Pectus carinatum

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Category	Thoracic Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways     Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Thoracotomy 1 Open biopsy of lung 1 Pulmonary lobectomy 1 Partial pulmonary lobectomy 1 Excision of extra lobar sequestration 2 Aspiration of pleural cavity 2 Insertion of open chest drain 2 Insertion of percutaneous chest drain 1 Open pleural debridement 1 Thorascopic pleural debridement 1 Rigid bronchoscopy  ST4: 2 Thoracotomy 1 Open biopsy of lung 1 Pulmonary lobectomy 1 Partial pulmonary lobectomy 1 Excision of extra lobar sequestration 3 Aspiration of pleural cavity 3 Insertion of open chest drain 2 Open pleural debridement 2 Open/thorascopic pleural debridement 1 Rigid bronchoscopy

Topic	Tracheal anomalies
Category	Thoracic Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source

	To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy 2 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 2 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Fibreoptic bronchoscopy 1 Tracheostomy 1 Rigid bronchoscopy 1 Fibreoptic bronchoscopy  ST4: 1 Fibreoptic bronchoscopy 1 Tracheostomy 1 Rigid bronchoscopy 1 Rigid bronchoscopy

Topic	Inhaled foreign body
Category	Thoracic Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 2 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 2 Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy 2 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 2 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Rigid removal of FB from bronchus ST4: 1 Rigid removal of FB from bronchus

Topic	Urinary tract infection
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
II CIDIACTIVA I	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract

	To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Relevance of different symptom patterns 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Haematuria
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 2 Cystourethroscopy ST4: 3 Cystourethroscopy

Topic	Urethral meatus
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Meatotomy 1 Meatoplasty 1 Urethral dilatation

ST4:
2 Meatotomy
2 Meatoplasty 2 Urethral dilatation

Topic	Hypospadias
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract  To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan  To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases  To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source
	To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Different anatomical variants 2 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Repair distal hypospadias 1 Repair proximal hypospadias 1 Repair urethral fistula ST4: 1 Repair distal hypospadias 1 Repair proximal hypospadias 1 Repair urethral fistula

Topic	Upper tract obstruction (to include pelvi-ureteric junction obstruction and vesico-ureteric junction obstruction)
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention     Differential diagnosis

Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Pyeloplasty 1 Nephrectomy (open/laparoscopic) 1 Insertion of percutaneous nephrostomy 1 Insertion of open nephrostomy 1 Insertion of JJ stent 1 Ureteric reimplantation  ST4: 1 Pyeloplasty 2 Nephrectomy (open/laparoscopic)  1 Insertion of percutaneous nephrostomy 1 Insertion of open nephrostomy 1 Insertion of JJ stent 1 Ureteric reimplantation

Topic	Posterior urethral valves
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention 2 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Destruction of PUV 1 Formation/closure of vesicostomy ST4: 1 Destruction of PUV 1 Formation/closure of vesicostomy

Topic	Urinary tract calculus disease
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases

	To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Aetiological and biochemical factors 2 Place and value of investigations/ operative and non-operative intervention 2 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3:  1 Interventional management of urolithiasis  ST4:  1 Interventional management of urolithiasis

Topic	Bladder dysfunction (incl. neurogenic bladder)
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	2 Likely modes of presentation 2 Differential diagnosis 2 Place and value of investigations 2 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child 2 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Urodynamics  2 Cysto-urethroscopy 1 Vesicostomy 1 Closure of vesicostomy 1 Suprapubic catheter 1 Endoscopic cauterisation of lesion of bladder 1 Endoscopic management of clot from bladder 1 Ileal bladder reconstruction 1 Colonic bladder reconstruction 1 Ureteric diversion 1 Ureteric un-diversion 1 Mitrofanoff procedure  ST4: 2 Urodynamics 3 Cysto-urethroscopy

1 Vesicostomy 1 Closure of vesicostomy 2 Suprapubic catheter 1 Endoscopic cauterisation of lesion of bladder 1 Endoscopic management of clot from bladder 1 Ileal bladder reconstruction 1 Colonic bladder reconstruction 1 Ureteric diversion 1 Ureteric un-diversion 1 Mitrofanoff procedure	
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Topic	Renal failure
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of referral criteria to renal medical colleagues
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3:  1 PD catheter insertion/removal 1 Haemodialysis catheter insertion  ST4: 2 PD catheter insertion/removal 2 Haemodialysis catheter insertion

Topic	Bladder exstrophy (including epispadias)
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations

	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Duplication of urinary tract
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Embryological derivation and anatomical variants     Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention     Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Hemi-nephrectomy (open/laparoscopic) 1 Excision of ureterocoele 1 Endoscopic incision of ureterocoele ST4: 1 Hemi-nephrectomy (open/laparoscopic) 1 Excision of ureterocoele 1 Endoscopic incision of ureterocoele

Topic	Vesico-ureteric reflux
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST3: 1 Ureteric reimplantation 2 Cysto-urethroscopy 1 STING/deflux  ST4: 1 Ureteric reimplantation 3 Cysto-urethroscopy

1 STING/deflux

Topic	Orthopaedic surgery
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately
Knowledge	To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty     To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline     To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Paediatric cardiac surgery
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately
Knowledge	To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty     To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline     To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Paediatric neurosurgery
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately To be able to recognize the emergency presentation of a ventriculo-peritoneal (VP) shunt malfunction or complication
Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty 2 To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline 2 To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health 2 To be aware of possible presentations of VP shunt malfunction
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children

	2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan 1 To be able to achieve emergency access to a malfunctioning VP shunt or ventricles
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Paediatric plastic surgery
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology To understand the initial management of thermal injury in children To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately
Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty 2 To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline 2 To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health 2 To be aware of the various components of the initial management of thermal injury in children
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan 2 To be able to initiate the initial assessment and management of a thermally injured child
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Paediatric ophthalmology
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and Paediatric Urology To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately
Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty 2 To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline 2 To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Paediatric E.N.T. Surgery
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the basic principles involved in other Paediatric Surgical Specialties  To understand how these disciplines interact with General Paediatric Surgery and  Paediatric Urology  To be able to refer to other specialties appropriately

Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of major conditions in the specialty 2 To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline 2 To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health
	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Transplantation
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the principles of diagnosis and management in a number of conditions as they present to the General Paediatric Surgeon
	2 To understand the basic principles of transplantation both surgical and medical 2 To understand the referral mechanisms to the discipline 2 To understand the ethical principles involved
Clinical Skills	2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Spina bifida
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the principles of diagnosis and management in a number of conditions as they present to the General Paediatric Surgeon
Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of management 2 To understand the local networks for managing the condition 2 To be aware of the influence of conditions on child health
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the associated anomalies when dealing with children 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Vascular anomalies
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the principles of diagnosis and management in a number of conditions as they present to the General Paediatric Surgeon
Knowledge	To understand the pathophysiology of the condition     To know the differential diagnosis     To understand the indications and outcomes of therapy
	2 To recognise associated anomalies 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan including identifying the need for surgery
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Child abuse
Category	Surgical Disciplines
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the principles of diagnosis and management in a number of conditions as they present to the General Paediatric Surgeon
Knowledge	2 To understand the basic principles of diagnosis and management 2 To understand the referral mechanisms within local setting 2 To be aware of legal responsibilities
Clinical Skills	2 To recognise the possibility of the condition 2 To construct an appropriate investigation and referral plan
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Pre-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative procedures.
Knowledge	3 Indications for surgery 3 Required preparation for surgery to include necessary pre-operative investigations 3 Outcomes and complications of surgery 3 Knowledge of the admission process
Clinical Skills	3 Synthesis of history and examination into operative management plan 3 Ability to explain procedure and outcomes to patient and parents at an appropriate level 3 To be able to take informed consent 3 To construct an appropriate theatre list 3 To follow the admission procedure
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Intra-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative (including laparoscopic/thoracoscopic) procedures.
Knowledge	3 Anatomy to be encountered during procedure 3 Steps involved in operative procedure 3 Knowledge of alternative procedures in case of encountering difficulties 3 Potential complications of procedure
Clinical Skills	3 Necessary hand-eye dexterity to complete procedure 3 Appropriate use of assistance 3 Communication with other members of theatre team 3 Function and safe use of laparoscopic/thoracoscopic equipment 3 Hazards of diathermy in minimal access surgery 2 Use of the endoloop 1 Intracorporeal or extracorporeal knot tying

Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Post-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative procedures.
Knowledge	3 Outcomes of procedure 3 Likely post-operative progress from disease process and intervention 3 Physiological and pathological changes in condition as a result of intervention
Clinical Skills	Assessment of patient and physiological parameters     Appropriate intervention to deal with changing parameters     Communication skills for dealing with team members, patients and parents     Ability to prioritise interventions
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

# **Final Stage Overview**

The aim of the final stage is enable the trainee to further develop the skills knowledge and attitude required to complete training and move to practise as a Consultant Paediatric Surgeon in the U.K health system.

This final phase of training is when trainees continue to build on the competences achieved in the first phases of the programme, gaining both competences not achieved at earlier stages and further exposure to the more specialised areas of practice. The goals as outlined in previous stages remain pertinent, as it is expected that the trainees will continue to build on their experience and move beyond competent practice to the level of an advanced practitioner, in many of the areas.

The planning of these final attachments is important as it provides an opportunity to remedy areas of training deficiency from earlier in the programme, or the development of a special interest.

The curriculum goals are again presented in a modular fashion for ease of reference and recording of achievement rather than as a suggested teaching package. There will obviously be areas of duplicate coverage and again this curriculum should be viewed as a framework to aid understanding rather than as a proscriptive document. Though the information on the individual conditions is largely unchanged from the intermediate stage, the objectives of these 'modules' have been altered to reflect the expectation that the trainees will be exhibiting a more advanced level of performance.

The different sections will contain a mixture of information on relevant conditions, symptom patterns and associated surgical operations. Overall these goals outlined are simply guides to progress and should be used by trainees, trainers and Programme Directors to help plan rotational placements to ensure a full breadth of training.

The following modules are included:

- Gastrointestinal
- Neonatology
- General Urology
- Thoracic
- Oncology
- Endocrine
- Surgical Disciplines
- Research and Audit

By the end of the final stage of training trainees including those who are following an academic pathway will have:

- Achieved the level of an advanced practitioner in the management of the common surgical problems of childhood
- Acquired the skills to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
- Gained sufficient theoretical knowledge and practical experience to be able to enter for the examination in paediatric surgery as set by the Intercollegiate Board in Paediatric Surgery.
- Developed skills and experience in areas of more specialised practice with a view to developing a sub-specialty interest if appropriate.
- Achieved the level of advanced practitioner in operations common to Paediatric practice, and be developing competence in procedures appropriate to sub-specialty training.

The list detailed here will not be achieved by all trainees, as many will be looking to specialise in a particular area. Individual circumstance will dictate the experience each trainee will gain. As a guide the trainee will by the end of this phase be expected to both initiate and lead in the operative management. In addition they will be expected to demonstrate the self-awareness of the need for support and advice of senior colleagues.

#### **Elective Procedures**

### **Neonatal**

• Repair of Oesophageal atresia (+/- fistula)

- Colonic interposition/ gastric pull up
- · Repair of recurrent fistula
- Aortopexy
- Congenital Diaphragmatic hernia repair
- Repair of eventration of diaphragm
- Duodeno-dudenostomy
- · Management of congenital atresias of intestine
- Management of duplications
- · Management of necrotising enterocolitis
- Neonatal pull-through for Hirschsprungs disease

#### **General Abdominal**

- Achalasia management
- Fundoplication
- Gastric disconnection
- Feeding jejunostomy
- ACE procedure
- Bowel lengthening procedure
- Posterior sagittal anorectoplasty
- Pull through for Hirschsprungs disease
- Management of Crohns disease of small and large intestine
- Colonic resection for Ulcerative colitis and ileoanal pouch formation
- Colonoscopy

# **Thoracic**

- Management of empyema
- Resection of lung lesions
- Management of chest wall deformity
- · Management of airway anomalies

#### **Endocrine**

- Resection of salivary gland lesions
- Thyroid/parathyroid surgery
- Management of hyperinsulinism

# Oncology

- Hepatoblastoma
- Wilms tumour
- Adrenal tumours benign/malignant
- Soft tissue tumours
- Sacrococcygeal tumour

# Hepatobiliary

- Biliary atresia
- Choledochal cyst

#### Urology

- Pyeloplasty
- Partial Nephrectomy
- Management of renal calculi
- Management of posterior urethral valves
- Bladder extrophy closure
- Bladder augmentation / artificial sphincter insertion

- Epispadias repair
- Proximal hypospadias repair

#### **Paediatric Urology Special Interest Overview**

Paediatric urology is delivered in a number of different units across United Kingdom, either by surgeons whose entire workload consists of Paediatric Urology, or by those who undertake Paediatric Urology as the major focus of their job plans. The service is often focused in tertiary paediatric units, though a number of specific conditions are treated in supra-regional units

The majority of trainees entering this phase of training will have completed either the essential part of a paediatric surgical programme (ST1-6), or an adult urology programme. Selection criteria will be published as part of the selection process for the specialty

The final part of training to become a full-time paediatric urologist is likely to take place in those designated units that had specified training posts under the Calman system, or are deemed by PMETB to provide sufficient clinical exposure and a rounded educational experience to enable trainees to complete the required training.

#### Aim

The aim of this aspect of training is to deliver the knowledge skills and experience required by trainees who wish to focus their future practice either solely in the field of paediatric urology, or with paediatric urology as their major special interest.

#### **Outcomes**

At completion of this section of the programme the trainee will:

- Be able to manage the index conditions encountered in paediatric urological practice in the United Kingdom
- Be able to formulate appropriate investigation and management strategies for children under his/her care
- Be able to undertake the operative management of the index conditions to the required level
- Be able to communicate these plans effectively to patients, parent, relevant colleagues
- Be able to interact appropriately with other members of the team
- Practise with integrity respect and compassion

# **Specific Technical Skills**

The following list of procedures includes those that it is anticipated that a trainee completing the 2 year module in paediatric urology would be competent to perform to level 4. This list follows from those procedures identified at earlier stages

- Pyeloplasty
- Partial Nephrectomy
- · Management of renal calculi
- Operative ablation of valves
- · Complex hypospadias repair
- Nephrectomy
- · Reimplantation of ureters
- Operative management of impalpable testis
- Operative relief of urinary obstruction (e.g. stent insertion)

The following list is one of which every trainee must have exposure to, though depending on previous exposure and future career path, may not be required to be competent in the performance of individual procedures. (Skill Level 3 or 4)

- Closure of bladder exstrophy (specialist centre)
- Bladder augmentation

- Urethral sphincter insertion
- Epispadias repair (specialist centre)
- Gender re-assignment surgery

# **Review of Module**

The responsibility for the review of the outcomes of this module rests with the SAC in Paediatric Surgery with advice from the British Association of Paediatric Urology (BAPU). Click on Workplace Based Assessments to view the assessment forms including DOPS and PBAs

# **Final Stage Topics for all Trainees**

Topic	Groin conditions
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with 'groin pathology' To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source
Knowledge	INGUINAL HERNIA:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  HYDROCELE:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history 4 Place of conservative management 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  UNDESCENDED TESTIS: 4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history of undescended testis and retractile testis 4 Place of conservative management 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  PENILE CONDITIONS:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history PENILE CONDITIONS:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history 4 Place of conservative management 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  ACUTE SCROTUM: 4 Natural history 4 Place of conservative management 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	INGUINAL HERNIA:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 4 Ability to form a treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  HYDROCELE: 4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 4 Ability to form a treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  UNDESCENDED TESTIS:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis

	4 Ability to differentiate true undescended testis from retractile variant
	4 Ability to form a treatment plan
	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
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	PENILE CONDITIONS:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis
	4 Ability to form a treatment plan
	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
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	ACUTE SCROTUM:
	4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis
	4 Ability to form a treatment plan
	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
	Hernia (ST5):
	3 Inguinal herniotomy (non-neonatal)
	3 Inguinal hernia (neonatal)
	Hydrocele (ST5):
	3 Surgery for hydrocele
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	Penile Conditions (ST5):
	3 Prepucioplasty
	4 Circumcision
	Us decreased at the stire (CTF):
	Undescended testis (ST5): 3 Surgery for undescended testis
	3 Surgery for undescended testis
	Acute scrotum (ST5):
	4 Surgery for acute scrotum
Technical Skills	
and Procedures	Hernia (ST6):
	4 Inguinal herniotomy (non-neonatal) 3 Inguinal hernia (neonatal)
	3 inguinai nemia (neonatai)
	Hydrocoele (ST6):
	4 Surgery for hydrocele
	Penile Conditions (ST6):
	4 Prepucioplasty 4 Circumcision
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	Undescended testis (ST6):
	4 Surgery for undescended testis
	Acute scrotum (ST6):
	4 Surgery for acute scrotum
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Topic	Abdominal wall pathologies
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with abnormalities of the abdominal wall  To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan  To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required

	To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/
	parents/ other team members/ referral source
Knowledge	UMBILICAL HERNIA:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history 4 Place of conservative management 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  SUPRA-UMBILICAL HERNIA: 4 developmental anatomy 4 Natural history to include contrast with umbilical hernia 4 Indications and outcomes of surgery  EPIGASTRIC HERNIA:  4 Developmental anatomy 4 Natural history
	4 Indications and outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	UMBILICAL HERNIA:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 4 Ability to form a treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  SUPRA-UMBILICAL HERNIA:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 4 Ability to form a treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups  EPIGASTRIC HERNIA:  4 Ability to assess child and reach appropriate diagnosis 4 Ability to form a treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	Umbilical hernia (ST5): 4 Repair of umbilical hernia  Epigastric hernia (ST5): 4 Repair of epigastric hernia  Umbilical hernia (ST6): 4 Repair of umbilical hernia  Epigastric hernia (ST6): 4 Repair of epigastric hernia

Topic	Head and neck swellings
Category	General surgery of childhood
Sub-category:	Management of benign surgical conditions
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with a head/neck swelling as the primary presenting symptom To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/

	parents/ other team members/ referral source
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology, relevant anatomy and age of child 4 Relevance of embryonic development of head and neck structures 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	ST5 and 6: 4 Excision skin lesion 4 Excision/biopsy of lymph nodes  3 Surgery for thyroglossal cyst 3 Surgery for branchial cysts and branchial remnants  ST7 and 8: 4 Excision skin lesion 4 Excision/biopsy of lymph nodes 4 Surgery for thyroglossal cyst 4 Surgery for branchial cysts and branchial remnants

Topic	Access
<u>-</u>	Compared Courses of Childhood
Category	General Surgery of Childhood
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	Vascular access (ST5 and 6): 3 Central venous lines and ports (including percutaneous)  Dialysis (ST5): 3 PD catheter insertion/removal  Vascular access (ST7 and 8): 4 Central venous lines and ports (including percutaneous)  Dialysis (ST6): 3 PD catheter insertion/removal

Topic	Pyloric stenosis
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess an infant with vomiting To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to make a diagnosis of pyloric stenosis To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention if required To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to parents, other team members/referral source

Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology 4 Significance of bile stained vomiting 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Understanding of the biochemical changes associated with the condition
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child including an assessment of severity of dehydration 4 Ability to safely correct the dehydration and biochemical abnormalities 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 Pyloromyotomy - ST5 4 Pyloromyotomy - ST6, ST7, ST8

Topic	Gastro-oesophageal reflux
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Pathophysiology 4 Investigation and management 4 Indications for operative intervention
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to synthesise history and investigations into appropriate management plan 4 Ability to communicate information to parents/child
Technical Skills and Procedures	4 OGD - ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8  3 Oesophageal dilatation (ST5 & ST6) 4 Oesophageal dilatation (ST7 & ST8) 3 Gastrostomy -open (ST5 & ST6) 4 Gastrostomy -open (ST7 & ST8)  3 PEG (insertion/removal) - ST5 4 PEG (insertion /removal) - ST6, ST7, ST8  3 Open or laparoscopic fundoplication (ST5, ST6, ST7) 4 Open and laparoscopic fundoplication (ST8)  1 Feeding jejunostomy (ST5) 2 Feeding jejunostomy (ST6) 3 Feeding jejunostomy (ST7) 4 Feeding jejunostomy (ST8)  1 Oesophago gastric disconnection (ST5 & ST6) 2 Oesophago gastric disconnection (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Abdominal pain
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 Open and Laparoscopic appendicectomy (ST5) 4 Open and Laparoscopic appendicectomy (ST6, ST7, ST8) 3 Operative reduction of intussusception (ST5 & ST6) 4 Operative reduction of intussusception (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Constipation
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis to include medical anomalies and socio-psychological aspects of symptom 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups. 3 To include community aspects of further management
Technical Skills and Procedures	4 Rectal Biopsy 4 Manual evacuation 4 EUA rectum 4 Anal stretch  1 ACE procedure (ST5) 2 ACE procedure (ST6) 3 ACE procedure (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Gastro-intestinal bleeding
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 3 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	4 OGD  2 Colonoscopy (ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8)  3 Sigmoidoscopy (ST5,) 4 Sigmoidoscopy (ST6, ST7, ST8)  3 Small bowel resection/anastomosis – open and laparoscopically assisted (Meckels) - ST5 & ST6 4 Small bowel resection/anastomosis – open and laparoscopically assisted (Meckels) - ST7 & ST8

Topic	Intestinal obstruction
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills	3 Laparotomy (ST5 & ST6)

and Procedures	4 Laparotomy (ST7 & ST8)
	3 Adhesiolysis (ST5 & ST6) 4 Adhesiolysis (ST7 & ST8) 3 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (ST5 & ST6) 4 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Inflammatory bowel disease
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	4 OGD  2 Colonoscopy (ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8)  3 Sigmoidoscopy (ST5 & ST6) 4 Sigmoidoscopy (ST7 & ST8)  3 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (ST5 & ST6) 4 Small bowel resection/anastomosis (ST7 & ST8)  2 Right hemicolectomy (ST5) 3 Right hemicolectomy (ST6, ST7) 4 Right hemicolectomy (ST8)  2 Left hemicolectomy (ST5) 3 Left hemicolectomy (ST6, ST7) 4 Left hemicolectomy (ST8)  2 Total colectomy (ST5) 3 Total colectomy (ST6, ST7) 4 Total colectomy (ST8)  1 Pouch formation (ST5 & ST6) 2 Pouch formation (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Short bowel syndrome

Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Bowel lengthening procedures (ST5 & 6 specialist centre) 2 Bowel lengthening procedures (ST7 & 8 specialist centre)

Topic	Liver/biliary disease
Category	Gastrointestinal
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of common gastrointestinal conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Place of operative intervention, and associated outcomes
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess ill child 4 Ability to communicate with ill child (see Section 1) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Cholecystectomy  1 Choledochal cyst (ST5 & ST6) 2 Choledochal cyst (ST7) 3 Choledochal cyst (ST8)  1 Kasai procedure - ST5 & ST6 (specialist centre) 2 Kasai procedure - ST7 (specialist centre) 3 Kasai procedure - ST8 (specialist centre)

Topic	Urinary tract infection

Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Relevance of different symptom patterns 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Haematuria
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/parents/other team members/referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST5 & ST6) 4 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Hypospadias
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract  To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan

	To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases  To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source  To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Different anatomical variants 4 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Repair distal hypospadias (ST5 & ST6) 3 Repair distal hypospadias (ST7) 4 Repair distal hypospadias (ST8)  1 Repair proximal hypospadias (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair proximal hypospadias (ST7) 3 Repair proximal hypospadias (ST8) 1 Repair urethral fistula (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair urethral fistula (ST5 & ST6) 3 Repair urethral fistula (ST7) 3 Repair urethral fistula (ST8)

Topic	Upper tract obstruction (to include Pelvi-ureteric junction obstruction and Vesico-ureteric junction obstruction)
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention 4 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Pyeloplasty (ST5 & ST6) 3 Pyeloplasty (ST7) 4 Pyeloplasty (ST8)  2 Nephrectomy (ST5) 3 Nephrectomy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Nephrectomy (ST8)  2 Heminephrectomy (ST5) 3 Heminephrectomy (ST5) 3 Heminephrectomy (ST6 & ST7)

4 Heminephrectomy (ST8)
2 Insertion of percutaneous nephrostomy – with ultrasound guidance (ST5 – ST8)
2 Insertion of open nephrostomy (ST5 & ST6) 3 Insertion of open nephrostomy (ST7) 4 Insertion of open nephrostomy (ST8)
2 Insertion of JJ stent (ST5 & ST6) 3 Insertion of JJ stent (ST7) 4 Insertion of JJ stent (ST8)
Ureteric reimplantation (ST5 & ST6)     Ureteric reimplantation (ST7)     Ureteric reimplantation (ST8)

Topic	Posterior urethral valves
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention 4 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Destruction of PUV (ST5 & ST6) 2 Destruction of PUV (ST7) 3 Destruction of PUV (ST8) 2 Formation/closure of vesocistomy (ST5) 3 Formation/closure of vesicostomy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Formation/closure of vesicostomy (ST8)

Topic	Urinary tract calculus disease
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source

	To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 3 Aetiological and biochemical factors 3 Place and value of investigations/ operative and non-operative intervention 3 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Interventional management of urolithiasis (ST5 & ST6) 3 Interventional management of urolithiasis (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Bladder dysfunction (incl. neuropathic bladder)
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation (ST5 & ST6) 3 Differential diagnosis (ST5 & ST6) 3 Place and value of investigations (ST5 & ST6) 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways (ST5 & ST6) 4 Likely modes of presentation (ST7 & ST8) 4 Differential diagnosis (ST7 & ST8) 4 Place and value of investigations (ST7 & ST8) 4 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways (ST7 & ST8)
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to assess child (ST5 & ST6) 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan (ST5 & ST6) 3 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups (ST5& ST6) 4 Ability to assess child (ST7 & ST8) 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan (ST7 & ST8) 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups (ST7& ST8)
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST5) 3 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST6) 4 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST7 & ST8)  2 Vesicostomy (ST5 & ST6) 3 Vesicostomy (ST7) 4 Vesicostomy (ST8)  2 Closure of vesicostomy (ST5) 3 Closure of vesicostomy (ST6) 4 Closure of vesicostomy (ST7 & ST8)  3 Suprapubic catheter (ST5 & ST6) 4 Suprapubic catheter (ST7 & ST8)

1 Endoscopic cauterisation of lesion of bladder (ST5 & ST6) 2 Endoscopic cauterisation of lesion of bladder (ST7) 3 Endoscopic cauterisation of lesion of bladder (ST8)  2 Endoscopic management of clot from bladder (ST5 & ST6) 3 Endoscopic management of clot from bladder (ST7) 4 Endoscopic management of clot from bladder (ST8)  1 Ileal bladder reconstruction (ST5 & ST6) 2 Ileal bladder reconstruction (ST7) 3 Ileal bladder reconstruction (ST8)  1 Colonic bladder reconstruction (ST8)  1 Colonic bladder reconstruction (ST7) 3 Colonic bladder reconstruction (ST7) 3 Colonic bladder reconstruction (ST8)  1 Ureteric diversion (ST5 & ST6) 2 Ureteric diversion (ST7) 3 Ureteric diversion (ST8)  2 Mitrofanoff procedure (ST8)  4 Mitrofanoff procedure (ST7) 4 Mitrofanoff procedure (ST8)	
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Topic	Renal failure
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of referral criteria to renal medical colleagues
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Ureteric un-diversion (ST5 & ST6) 2 Ureteric un-diversion (ST7) 3 Ureteric un-diversion (ST8)  2 Haemodialysis catheter insertion (ST5) 3 Haemodialysis catheter insertion (ST6) 4 Haemodialysis catheter insertion (ST7 & ST8)  3 PD catheter insertion/removal (ST5 & ST6) 4 PD catheter insertion/removal (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Bladder exstrophy (to include outlet anomalies e.g. epispadias)
Category	Urology

Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Closure of bladder neck (ST5 & ST6) 2 Closure of bladder neck (ST7) 3 Closure of bladder neck (ST8)  1 Repair of bladder exstrophy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair of bladder exstrophy (ST7) (specialist centre) 3 Repair of bladder exstrophy (ST8) (specialist centre)  1 Repair of epispadias (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair of epispadias (ST7) (specialist centre) 3 Repair of epispadias (ST7) (specialist centre)

Topic	Duplication of urinary tract
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to assess a child presenting to the OP clinic or acutely with symptoms referable to the urinary tract To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to treat the child appropriately up to and including operative intervention in selected cases To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Embryological derivation and anatomical variants 3 Place and value of investigations/ operative intervention 3 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Open +/- laparoscopic hemi-nephrectomy (ST5) 2 Open +/- laparoscopic hemi-nephrectomy (ST6) 3 Open +/- laparoscopic hemi-nephrectomy (ST7) 4 Open +/- laparoscopic hemi-nephrectomy (ST8)  1 Excision of ureterocele - ST5, ST6

2 Excision of ureterocele - ST7 3 Excision of ureterocele - ST8
1 Endoscopic incision of ureterocele ST5 2 Endoscopic incision of ureterocele ST6, ST7 3 Endoscopic incision of ureterocele ST8

Topic	Urethral meatus
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Meatotomy - ST5 3 Meatotomy - ST6 4 Meatotomy - ST7, ST8  2 Meatoplasty -ST5 3 Meatoplasty -ST6 4 Meatoplasty -ST7, ST8  2 Urethral dilatation -ST5 3 Urethral dilatation -ST6 4 Urethral dilatation -ST7, ST8

Topic	Epispadias
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
	2 Repair of epispadias - ST7 (specialist centre) 3 Repair of epispadias - ST8 (specialist centre)

Topic	Vesico-ureteric reflux
Category	Urology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST5 & ST6) 4 Cysto-urethroscopy (ST7 & ST8)  2 STING/deflux (ST5 & ST6) 3 STING/deflux (ST7) 4 STING/deflux (ST8)  1 Ureteric reimplantation ST5, ST6 2 Ureteric reimplantation ST7 3 Ureteric reimplantation ST8

Topic	Small bowel duplications
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Intestinal resection/anastomosis - ST5, ST6 3 Intestinal resection/anastomosis - ST7 4 Intestinal resection/anastomosis - ST8

Topic	Sacro coccygeal teratoma
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of prenatal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	Excision of sacro coccygeal teratoma ST5, ST6     Excision of sacro coccygeal teratoma ST7     Excision of sacro coccygeal teratoma ST8

Topic	Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None

Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Operation for diaphragmatic hernia (neonate) incl. eventration (ST5) 3 Operation for diaphragmatic hernia (neonate) incl. eventration (ST6 & ST7) 4 Operation for diaphragmatic hernia (neonate) incl. eventration (ST8)

Topic	Intestinal Atresias
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Duodeno- duodenostomy (ST5) 3 Duodeno- duodenostomy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Duodeno- duodenostomy (ST8)  2 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST5) 3 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST6 & ST7) 4 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST8)  2 Stoma formation (ST5) 3 Stoma formation (ST6 & ST7) 4 Stoma formation (ST8)

Topic	Meconium Ileus
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital

	abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal + genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Operation for meconium ileus (ST5) 3 Operation for meconium ileus (ST6, ST7, ST8)

Topic	Malrotation
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Correction of malrotation (ST5) 3 Correction of malrotation (ST6, ST7) 4 Correction of malrotation (ST8)

Topic	Hirschsprungs disease
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 3 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies

	4 Role of genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 Rectal biopsy (ST5) 4 Rectal biopsy (ST6, ST7, ST8)  4 Rectal washout  1 Trans-anal pull through – open or laparoscopically assisted (ST5 & ST6) 2 Trans-anal pull through – open or laparoscopically assisted (ST7) 3 Trans-anal pull through – open or laparoscopically assisted (ST8)  1 Pull through (Duhamel procedure, Soave, Swenson) - ST5 2 Pull through (Duhamel procedure, Soave, Swenson) - ST6, ST7 3 Pull through (Duhamel procedure, Soave, Swenson) - ST8

Topic	Oesophageal Atresia and Tracheo-oesophageal fistula
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Operation for oesophageal atresia/TOF (ST5 & ST6) 3 Operation for oesophageal atresia/TOF (ST7) 4 Operation for oesophageal atresia/TOF (ST8)  1 Repair of H fistula (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair of H fistula (ST7 & ST8)  1 Repair of recurrent fistula (ST5, ST6, ST7) 2 Repair of recurrent fistula (ST8)  1 Oesophageal dilatation (neonatal) - ST5 & ST6 2 Oesophageal dilatation (neonatal) - ST7 3 Oesophageal replacement 1 Aortopexy

Topic	Anorectal Malformations
Category	Neonatal Surgery

Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Anoplasty (ST5 & ST6) 3 Anoplasty (ST7) 4 Anoplasty (ST8) 3 Sigmoid colostomy (ST5) 4 Sigmoid colostomy (ST6, ST7, ST8) 1 PSARP (ST5 & ST6) 2 PSARP (ST7) 3 PSARP (ST8)

Topic	Necrotising Enterocolitis
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation 4 Patho-physiology of the condition 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Laparotomy and proceed (ST5 & ST6)  3 Laparotomy and proceed (ST7) 4 Laparotomy and proceed (ST8)  2 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST5 & ST6) 3 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST7) 4 Intestinal resection/anastomosis (ST8)

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Topic	Neonatal Abdominal Wall Defects
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 4 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 4 Associated anomalies 4 Outcome data on the condition 4 Differing management strategies 4 Role of pre-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Repair of gastroschisis (ST5) 3 Repair of gastroschisis (ST6 & ST7) 4 Repair of gastroschisis (ST8)  3 Application of preformed silo (ST5 & ST6) 4 Application of preformed silo (ST7 & ST8)  2 Repair of exomphalos (ST5) 3 Repair of exomphalos (ST6 & ST7) 4 Repair of exomphalos (ST8)

Topic	Disorders of sex development
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Mode of presentation both pre- and post natal 3 Patho-physiology of the condition and anatomical variants 3 Associated anomalies 3 Outcome data on the condition 3 Differing management strategies 3 Role of genetic counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Antenatal management
Category	Neonatal Surgery
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the diagnosis and management of children presenting with congenital abnormalities in the neonatal period To be able to construct an appropriate management plan for these children To understand the place of operative management in the neonatal period and be able to carry this out in selected cases To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation of different conditions 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Types of and indications for antenatal intervention 4 Role of ante-natal counselling
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to counsel and inform parents 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Wilms Tumour
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of clinical presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 3 Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis 4 Outcome data of treatment modalities 4 Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Nephro-ureterectomy/nephrectomy for Wilms (ST5 & ST6) 3 Nephro-ureterectomy/nephrectomy for Wilms (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Neuroblastoma
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of clinical presentation 4 Differential diagnosis

	Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Outcome data of treatment modalities     Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Surgery for neuroblastoma (ST5 & ST6) 2 Surgery for neuroblastoma (ST7) 3 Surgery for neuroblastoma (ST8)

Topic	Hepatoblastoma
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of clinical presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 3 Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis 4 Outcome data of treatment modalities 4 Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	Surgery for hepatoblastoma (ST5 & ST6) only at specialist centre     Surgery for hepatoblastoma (ST7) only at specialist centre     Surgery for hepatoblastoma (ST8) only at specialist centre

Topic	Soft tissue tumours
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of clinical presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 3 Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis 4 Outcome data of treatment modalities 4 Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups

Technical Skills	1 Local excision soft tissue tumour (ST5, ST6) 2 Local excision soft tissue tumour (ST7) 3 Local excision soft tissue tumour (ST8)

Topic	Haematological malignancies
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Mode of clinical presentation     Differential diagnosis     Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis     Management strategies and basic outcome data of treatment modalities
Clinical Skills	Ability to assess child     Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Cervical Lymph node biopsy (ST5) 3 Cervical Lymph node biopsy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Cervical Lymph node biopsy (ST8)

Topic	Benign tumours
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presentation and management of childhood tumours To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Mode of clinical presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 3 Relevant basic science knowledge of oncogenesis 4 Outcome data of treatment modalities 4 Role of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Oopherectomy (ST5) 3 Oopherectomy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Oopherectomy (ST8) 2 Oophero-salpingectomy (ST5) 3 Oophero-salpingectomy (ST6 & ST7) 4 Oophero-salpingectomy (ST8)

Topic	Generic procedures
Category	Oncology
Sub-category:	None

Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
and Procedures	2 Tumour biopsy ST5 3 Tumour biopsy ST6, ST7 4 Tumour biopsy ST8

Topic	Adrenal gland
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	None
Clinical Skills	None
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Adrenalectomy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Adrenalectomy (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Disease of the thyroid gland
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	Likely modes of presentation     Differential diagnosis     Place and value of investigations     Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Thyroidectomy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Thyroidectomy (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Parathyroid disease
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on

	surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Diabetes
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	3 OGD (ST5) 4 OGD (ST6, ST7, ST8)

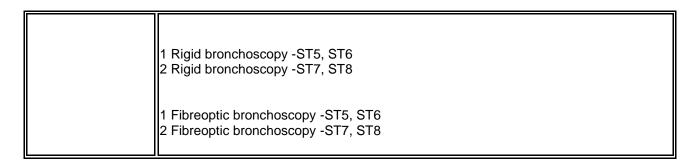
Topic	Disorders of Growth
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan

_	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills	
and Procedures	4 OGD (ST6, ST7, ST8)

Topic	Disorders of secondary sexual development
Category	Endocrine conditions
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of endocrine conditions in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To be able to identify the need for surgery and influence of endocrine conditions on surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Subcutaneous mastectomy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Subcutaneous mastectomy (ST7) 3 Subcutaneous mastectomy (ST8)

Topic	Chest wall anomalies
Category	Thoracic Anomalies
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 4 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Repair pectus excavatum (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair pectus excavatum (ST7 & ST8)  1 Repair pectus carinatum (ST5 & ST6) 2 Repair pectus carinatum (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Congenital and acquired lung abnormalities including management of empyema
Category	Thoracic Anomalies
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy 4 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 4 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 3 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Thoracotomy (ST5 & ST6) 3 Thoracotomy (ST7) 4 Thoracotomy (ST8)  1 Open biopsy of lung (ST5 & ST6) 2 Open biopsy of lung (ST7) 3 Open biopsy of lung (ST8)  1 Pulmonary lobectomy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Pulmonary lobectomy (ST7) 3 Pulmonary lobectomy (ST7) 3 Pulmonary lobectomy (ST8)  1 Excision of extra lobar sequestration (ST5 & ST6) 2 Excision of extra lobar sequestration (ST7) 3 Excision of extra lobar sequestration (ST7) 3 Excision of extra lobar sequestration (ST8) 2 Aspiration of pleural cavity (ST5) 3 Aspiration of pleural cavity (ST6) 4 Aspiration of pleural cavity (ST7 & ST8) 2 Insertion of open chest drain (ST6) 4 Insertion of open chest drain (ST7 & ST8) 2 Insertion of percutaneous chest drain (ST6) 3 Insertion of percutaneous chest drain (ST6) 4 Insertion of percutaneous chest drain (ST7) 5 Insertion of percutaneous chest drain (ST7) 6 Upen/thoracoscopic pleural debridement - ST6 3 Open/thoracoscopic pleural debridement - ST7 4 Open/thoracoscopic pleural debridement - ST7



Topic	Tracheal anomalies
Category	Thoracic Anomalies
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	3 Likely modes of presentation 3 Differential diagnosis 3 Place and value of investigations 3 Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy 3 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 3 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	1 Tracheostomy (ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8)  1 Rigid bronchoscopy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Rigid bronchoscopy (ST7 &ST8)  1 Fibreoptic bronchoscopy (ST5 & ST6) 2 Fibreoptic bronchoscopy (ST7 & ST8)

Topic	Inhaled /aspirated /ingested foreign body
Category	Thoracic Anomalies
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the presenting symptoms of thoracic anomalies in childhood and their management To be able to formulate a differential diagnosis and an investigation and management plan To identify the place of surgery To be able to communicate the above information at the required level to patients/ parents/ other team members/ referral source To be able to practice with integrity, respect and compassion
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations

	4 Knowledge of developmental embryology and pertinent anatomy 4 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways 4 Outcomes of surgery
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups
Technical Skills and Procedures	2 Rigid bronchoscopic removal of FB from bronchus (ST5, ST6, ST7, ST8)

Topic	Pre-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative procedures.
Knowledge	3 Indications for surgery 3 Required preparation for surgery to include necessary pre-operative investigations 3 Outcomes and complications of surgery 3 Knowledge of the admission process
Clinical Skills	3 Synthesis of history and examination into operative management plan 3 Ability to explain procedure and outcomes to patient and parents at an appropriate level 3 To be able to take informed consent 3 To construct an appropriate theatre list 3 To follow the admission procedure
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Intra-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative procedures.
Knowledge	3 Anatomy to be encountered during procedure (ST5 & ST6) 3 Steps involved in operative procedure (ST5 & ST6) 3 Knowledge of alternative procedures in case of encountering difficulties (ST5 & ST6) 3 Potential complications of procedure (ST5 & ST6) 4 Anatomy to be encountered during procedure (ST7 & ST8) 4 Steps involved in operative procedure (ST7 & ST8) 4 Knowledge of alternative procedures in case of encountering difficulties (ST7 & ST8) 4 Potential complications of procedure (ST7 & ST8)
Clinical Skills	3 Necessary hand-eye dexterity to complete procedure (ST5 & ST6) 3 Appropriate use of assistance (ST5 & ST6) 3 Communication with other members of theatre team (ST5 & ST6) 4 Necessary hand-eye dexterity to complete procedure (ST7 & ST8) 4 Appropriate use of assistance (ST7 & ST8) 4 Communication with other members of theatre team (ST7 & ST8)
Technical Skills and Procedures	4 Open and laparoscopic operative skills

Topic	Post-operative care
Category	Operative skills
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To ensure the trainee has reached a level of competence in a range of basic operative procedures.
Knowledge	3 Outcomes of procedure 3 Likely post-operative progress from disease process and intervention 3 Physiological and pathological changes in condition as a result of intervention
Clinical Skills	3 Assessment of patient and physiological parameters 3 Appropriate intervention to deal with changing parameters 3 Communication skills for dealing with team members, patients and parents 3 Ability to prioritise interventions
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	NHS Structure
Category	Management
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the current structure and function of the NHS  To develop an understanding of leadership qualities required of a consultant  To develop the ability to support colleagues and peers in the delivery of care
Knowledge	3 Current structure of NHS in the different parts of the UK (relative to where the trainee is working) 3 Role of Department of Health (England) and its equivalent bodies in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales 3 Role of Strategic Health Authority (England) and its equivalent bodies in Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales 3 Role of regulatory agencies
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to identify impact of structures / changes on delivery of care
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Trust/Hospital/Health Authority Managerial structures
Category	Management
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the current structure and function of the NHS in the different parts of the UK To develop an understanding of leadership qualities required of a consultant To develop the ability to support colleagues and peers in the delivery of care
Knowledge	3 Local managerial structures 3 Alternative model(s) of management 3 Roles of Executive /Non -executive board members 3 Roles of different depts e.g. 3 Finance 3 Human resources 3 Risk management etc.

Clinical Skills	3 Ability to interact appropriately with Trust structures to help in service delivery
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Leadership
Category	Management
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To understand the current structure and function of the NHS To develop an understanding of leadership qualities required of a consultant To develop the ability to support colleagues and peers in the delivery of care
Knowledge	3 Differences between leadership and management 3 Different styles of leadership and their uses 3 Personal leadership styles 3 Roles of leaders in teams 3 NHS Leadership Qualities Framework
Clinical Skills	Ability to identify own style of leadership     Ability to utilise appropriate style to management of managerial issues     Ability to lead a team of peers and colleagues in a project     (research/audit/managerial)
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Supporting training
Category	Management
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To develop the skills required to support training of peers and colleagues.
Knowledge	3 Principles of coaching, training and mentoring 3 Principles and uses of assessment and appraisal 3 Differing styles of feedback and their appropriate use 3 Knowledge of career pathways 3 Indicators of 'poor performance' 3 Teaching styles and their uses (see section 1.6)
Clinical Skills	3 Ability to train junior trainees 3 Ability to provide appropriate guidance to trainees through use of techniques of feedback, appraisal and assessment 3 Ability to support poor performers appropriately 3 Ability to give career advice 3 Ability to support colleagues through use of appraisal and revalidation mechanisms
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Interview process
Category	Management
Sub-category:	None
Objective	To be able to participate appropriately in interview process.
Knowledge	3 Role of interview in selecting candidates for training 3 Use of different types of interview

	3 Role of panel members 3 Legal requirements of panel members with respect to Employment and Equal Opportunities legislation
Clinical Skills	Ability to ask appropriate questions depending on style of interview     Ability to provide feedback for both successful and unsuccessful candidates     Completion of paperwork for committee
Technical Skills and Procedures	No content

Topic	Urinary Tract Infection
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Relevance of different symptom patterns 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Haematuria
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Patterns of symptoms and relation to likely pathology and age of child 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Hypospadias
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Different anatomical variants 4 Place and value of investigations/operative intervention
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions

11	4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Upper tract obstruction(to include Pelvi-ureteric junction obstruction and Vesico-ureteric junction obstruction)
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Place and value of investigations/operative intervention 4 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Posterior urethral valves
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Place and value of investigations/operative intervention 4 Differential Diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Urinary tract calculus disease
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Aetiological and biochemical factors 4 place and value of investigations/operative and non-operative intervention 4 Differential Diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups, including adult urological services 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same

Technical Skills and Procedures	None
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Topic	Bladder dysfunction (including neuropathic bladder)
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Knowledge of appropriate referral pathways
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	Removal

Topic	Renal Failure
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations 4 Knowledge of referral criteria to renal medical colleagues
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Bladder exstrophy (to include outlet anomalies e.g. epispadias)
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Differential diagnosis 4 Place and value of investigations
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Duplication of urinary tract
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Embryological derivation and anatomical variants 4 Place and value of investigations/operative intervention 4 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None

Topic	Disorders of sex development
Category	Paediatric Urology Special Interest
Sub-category:	None
Objective	None
Knowledge	4 Likely modes of presentation 4 Embryological derivation and anatomical variants 4 Place and value of investigations/operative intervention 4 Differential diagnosis
Clinical Skills	4 Ability to assess child 4 Ability to form a viable investigation and treatment plan, including appropriate range of operative interventions 4 Ability to communicate with all relevant groups 4 Ability to independently interpret the results of investigations and act on same
Technical Skills and Procedures	None