Spinal Training Interface Group (STIG)

Host Centres Application

The organising committee of the Spinal TIG, invites centres *not already registered* to apply for the opportunity to host a spinal TIG fellow. This programme is an exciting curriculum-based training fellowship, combining neurosurgical and orthopaedic spinal surgical training for pre CCT fellows. Fellows are appointed by a competitive application and interview process centrally and once selected choose which centre to go to from the list of suitable centres. At the moment we have 10 centres in the programme

Leeds
Salford/Manchester
Liverpool
Bristol
Sheffield
Birmingham
Oxford
Cardiff
Preston
Stoke on Trent

This year we have three STIG fellows – *Alex Goubran*, *Alexander Durst* and *Sheweidin Aziz* undertaking fellowships in *Cardiff*, *Sheffield* and *Birmingham*.

For 2021-22, we have funding in England for up-to three fellows, commencing in the summer of 2021 running for a one- year period. Under GMC regulations, the fellowships are **pre CCT** at this time, but will change to post CCT in due course. All fellowships are administered by the Severn Deanery and under the auspices of the JCST. We do not have funding at this time for centres outside England, and any centres applying from the rest of the UK and Ireland will be required to provide their own funding for fellows.

Applications require the completion of a **Hospital Application Form (HAF)** which sets out to establish the joint approach of training in the centre and the support of the local post graduate dean for the fellowship.

For application forms, or any queries, please contact Mr Niall Eames (Chair of the Spinal TIG Committee) via

interface@jcst.org

Thank you for supporting this exciting combined training between neurosurgery and orthopaedic surgery in the exacting discipline of spinal surgery.

The Spinal TIG Committee

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