BRITISH RHEUMATOLOGISTS IN TRAINING SESSION: ADDING VALUE TO YOUR CV

II09. GAINING KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE OF THE HEALTHCARE ENVIRONMENT OUTSIDE THE CURRICULUM

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To complete training, the minimum requirements to obtain CCT are plainly outlined in the curriculum, at ARCPs and PYA. However to compete successfully for jobs post-CCT it is desirable to have an enhanced CV which might reflect a wider understanding and experience of a number of issues relevant to the healthcare environment into which trainees are then launched. Therefore gaining knowledge of the healthcare environment—the political and financial drivers of changes in manpower, training, governance, commissioning, validation etc. are key issues for all consultants once the new job starts. Being cognisant of these issues and being able to deal with them at interview and from the get-go in a new consultant job would be highly advantageous for all trainees planning to work in The NHS or in
The UK after CCT, and evidence of experience of activities in these arenas enhancing to any training record. For some, gaining such knowledge and experience may be the first stepping stone toward a career interest in Healthcare management, planning or governance.

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