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HEE Midlands Charter wins the BMJ Workforce and Wellbeing Team of the Year

We're very proud to announce that the [Midlands Charter](#), an initiative we have taken forward in collaboration with NHS England and NHS Improvement, has won the [Workforce and Wellbeing Team of 2021 at this year's BMJ awards](#). Never before has the wellbeing for our trainees been so vital, both in terms of support throughout the pandemic but also in ensuring their education and training gets back on track after the disruption caused. To win this award is a real testament to the dedication that HEE and our partners have been able to offer during this incredibly challenging period. The Midlands Charter was created to share wellbeing resources, best practice and celebrate successes. It aims to prioritise the restoration of postgraduate medical education and training impacted during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond. It will also establish the blueprint for best practice in postgraduate training for the future.

This is a great credit to the trainees who really took this forward and delivered a large part of the presentation we did to the judges. [Read more about the Midlands Charter.](#)



Welcome to Dr Alexander Crichton

I am very excited to have joined the dynamic team at HEE WM as a Clinical Fellow. My interests lie in virtual education and simulation. I am looking forward to supporting a number of projects in the Midlands over the coming year that will span both medical and surgical specialties. Throughout the year, I will be co-chairing the Local Trainee Engagement Forum with my colleague Lizzy Charlton. We will support a direct channel between trainees and HEE WM. Feel free to contact me with your ideas or good practice within your specialty!

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The National Education and Training Survey (NETS)

The National Education and Training Survey (NETS) will open again on **Tuesday 2 November**. The survey will remain open for four weeks until Tuesday 30 November.

Find out more at www.hee.nhs.uk/our-work/quality/national-education-training-survey

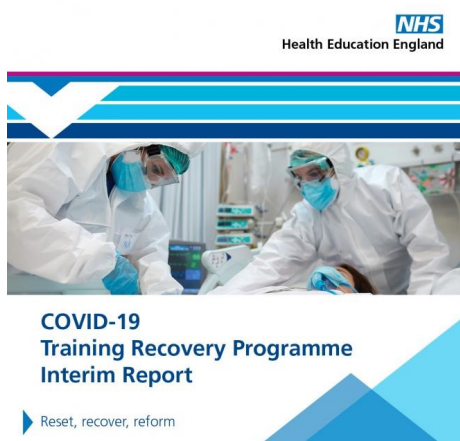
HEE Undertaking a Review of the Core Skills Training Framework (CSTF)

The first ever online survey asking NHS staff in England for their views on their statutory and mandatory training experience is now open.

The Core Skills Training Framework (CSTF) survey will help Health Education England (HEE) to better understand users' views, help shape training and how it may be delivered in future. It will also be used to inform future conversations regarding potential reforms to statutory and mandatory training.

Don't miss the opportunity to let HEE know what you think works well, if the training meet your needs, and what could be done better. To complete the survey, go to [All staff survey](#). The survey closes on **Friday 19 November 2021**

Medical Training Recovery stays on track



Progress on a national programme to support doctors currently in training and minimise the impact of the pandemic on their education and progression has been published by HEE.

The Training Recovery Interim Report details the progress made by the Post Graduate Medical Education (PGME) Recovery Programme which was launched in April 2021 to lead system-wide efforts to mitigate the impact of the pandemic on the 55,000 doctors in training in England.

The report highlights successes which include:

- A lower-than-expected level of training extensions which are costly, impact on individual wellbeing and reduce the future workforce supply
- The use of new models of learning and teaching and the opportunity to adopt new technologies which can positively support medical training
- A catalogue of case studies of local and regional initiatives to support training recovery enabling schools and trusts to share best practice and deliver tested and effective solutions

[Read the full report](#)

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