Principles and Policy for the use of SAS Doctors Career and Professional Development Funding:

- For funding opportunities not normally funded by trust study leave budget.

- The SAS Funds should be used after and above the study leave budget and not as a substitute.

- The SAS Funds usage will be a combination of deanery-based and trust-based activities.

- The SAS Funds will be released to each Trust as two installments each year. The first installment will represent 50% of the total annual allocated funds and the second installment will based on the percentage of SAS Doctors registered with the Deanery website. (Please see LDA Schedule for details) It is the responsibility of each Trust/Organisation to give an account of their use of SAS Funds every 6 months to receive the next installment of funding.

- The SAS Clinical Tutor/Trust Leads of every Trust/Organisation has the responsibility to ensure the Funds are used with transparency, equality and responsibility and to document its usage.

- The SAS Clinical Tutor/Trust Leads should seek agreement with SAS Doctors in their Trust/Organisation with regard to the priorities for the allocation of funding.

- It is the responsibility of Health Education West Midlands, the Postgraduate Dean and the Associate Postgraduate Dean for SAS Doctors to ensure fair distribution, monitoring, audit of such funding, and recommending priorities for SAS Doctors Career and Professional Development Funding.

- SAS Doctors’ funding will be subject to strict regular scrutiny measures.