

Launch of the implementation timeline for the amendments to the 2016 terms and conditions for junior doctors

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Overview



- Following negotiations to the 2016 terms and conditions for junior doctors, the BMA referendum returned a positive result, with 82 per cent of respondents voting in favour of the amended contract.
- A staggered implementation of agreed changes will commence from August 2019.



Implementation timeline

April 2019



Annual pay uplifts

- Annual 2 per cent uplift applied during the period 2019/20 to 2022/23.
 Backdated to 1 April in 2019/20.
- System updates will be available on ESR by September 2019.



Amended 2016 contract is introduced

Pay and transitional arrangements

- Trainees who are currently in receipt of 'Section 2' transitional pay protection under Schedule 14 will have their pay protection extended until 2025.
- Pay protection for changing specialty clause is updated to reflect the agreed method of calculating pay protection for those moving into hard-to-fill specialties.

<u>Leave</u>

Leave for life changing events.



Safety and rest limits

- Breaks for night shifts.
- Weekend frequency exemption for nodal point 2:
 - o FY2 rotas using the weekend frequency exemption will be risk assessed at the point of commencement in August. Where no significant risks are identified that would render the service unworkable, rotas will be amended to a maximum frequency of 1 in 2 weekends, using local rota change processes, in line with the good rostering guide.
 - o Where there is a significant impact on service provision and/or the trainees training requirements the existing rotas will remain in place until no later than December 2019.



Safety and rest limits

- Employers notified of 12-month timeframe to commence the process to alter existing rotas and will need to start consultation with trainees to reduce:
 - the maximum number of consecutive shifts rostered or worked over 8 consecutive days reduced from 8 to 7
 - the maximum number of consecutive long day shifts rostered or worked reduced from 5 to 4.

Arrangements to alter existing rotas to meet this provision should commence as soon as is reasonably practicable but, in any event, must have concluded by 5 August 2020.



Locum work

Locum clause clarification

<u>Facilities</u>

- Too tired to drive home provisions
- Payment for accommodation when non-resident on-call

GP Trainees

- Supernumerary status of GP trainees
- Additional mileage/expenses for GP trainee home visits

Guardian fines (as per amended pay circular)

Rates of guardian fines



Exception reporting

- What can be exception reported
- Pre-authorisation for additional hours of work

Work scheduling

- Personalised work scheduling meetings and off-site educational supervisors
- Exception reporting for missed personalised work scheduling meetings

Due to the short notice with the implementation of this provision. For trainees commencing on 7 August, it may not ne possible to arrange a meeting with their educational supervisor within the 4 week timeframe. In this situation the trainee must arrange a meeting with the clinical lead as soon as it's practicable to do so.



What do employers need to do for August 2019?



Pay and transitional arrangements

 Pay protection clause for those on 2002 terms and conditions is updated to reflect pay protection arrangements for those moving onto the updated 2016 TCS.

The parties have committed to ensure that an arrangement in this regard will be reached by early October 2019. Trainees who remain on the 2002 TCS should not be moved onto the updated 2016 terms until pay protection arrangements have been finalised and a transition date agreed.



Safety Limits

Maximum of 72 hours work in any consecutive 168-hour period

Work scheduling

Recommended to issue for Oct 2019, or at the trainees next scheduled rotation

- Host and lead employer responsibilities (guidance)
- Mandatory training requirements to be sent with generic work schedule
- Generic work schedules to be sent to include the local trust induction required to be undertaken prior or at the start of the placement



Safety limits

Recommended to be reflected in rotas for October 2019 rotations. To be included in rotas for December 2019 rotations and all other rotas to be updated no later than February 2020.

- Rest after night shifts
- Maximum 1 in 3 weekend frequency



Exception reporting

Review process for exception reports locally

Agreed sections of the good rostering guidance

- Non-resident on-call rotas (NROC)
- Less Than Full Time (LTFT) principles
- Cover arrangements and leave



What do employers need to do for October 2019?

December 2019



Pay

- Weekend frequency allowance
- An enhanced rate of pay for shifts that finish after midnight and by 4am

Exception reporting

Response time for educational supervisors

Guardian of safe working hours

Administrative time and support

Guardian fines

Breaches that attract a financial penalty

December 2019



Flexible Pay Premia

Academic Flexible Pay Premia (FPP)

Less Than Full Time

LTFT Allowance

Flexible training

Champion of flexible training

February 2020



Leave

- Study leave and mandatory training
- Prospective cover for study leave

August 2020

Code of practice

8/6 week notification provisions, with supporting caveats.

Changes to be in place for doctors rotating from 5 August, requiring notifications at 8 and 6 weeks prior to this date, and all future rotation dates applicable



Introduction of the fifth nodal point

- 1 October 2020 the value will be £3,000 [£52,036]
- 1 October 2021 the value will increase to £6,000 [£56,077]
- 1 April 2022 the value will increase to £7,200 [£58,398]



Pay and transitional arrangements



Safety and rest limits



LTFT and equalities



Code of practice



Software



Implementation



Further information

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