School of Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Head of School: Miss Rebecca Black

Introduction to School
The training for Obstetrics and Gynaecology is a seven year run through programme based at the five hospitals in the Thames Valley — The Oxford University Hospitals, Royal Berkshire Hospital (Reading), Milton Keynes General Hospital, Buckinghamshire Healthcare (Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Aylesbury and Wycombe General Hospital, High Wycombe) and Wexham Park Hospital, Slough.

Trainees rotate between all units. We have approximately 80 trainees, currently with an intake of seven trainees per year at ST1.

The Head of School is Rebecca Black, based at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford.

The programme in Oxford offers excellent teaching at all levels and has six subspecialty trainees. There is an active academic clinical fellowship programme with research opportunities in the University of Oxford.

Training Opportunities within the School
There is a well structured teaching system for ST1–5 and sufficient training opportunities to cover all the curriculum. ST3–5s have a protected weekly Friday afternoon teaching session. ST6/7 interview for ATSM programmes and training in minimal access surgery is available. There are SSTs in reproductive medicine, fetomaternal medicine, oncology and urogynaecology — all based in Oxford.

Facts about the School
Trainees are based at five of the Trusts in the Thames Valley, and also do some day time sessions at the Horton Hospital, Banbury — attachments are for one year apart from six month rotations between Oxford and Banbury. Four trusts have delivery rates over 5,000. There is good consultant presence on labour ward to support training.

The Oxford Postgraduate School of Obstetrics and Gynaecology was voted the best school in England and Scotland for ‘overall satisfaction’ in the most recent GMC trainee survey. There is a strong academic record with encouragement to support ACF.

There is good support for trainees from the TPDs/HoS and Health Education Thames Valley Career Development Unit.

Trusts have welcomed overseas doctors on the MTI scheme.

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