



British Orthopaedic
Association





Consultant preparation course

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Convenors:

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Educational aims and objectives

A one-day consultant interview course catering specifically for candidates applying to NHS orthopaedic consultant posts.

This course is suitable for ST8 registrars, post CCT trainees, locum consultants and SAS surgeons intending to apply for consultant positions.

Educational aims/learning objectives:

- To improve your chances of obtaining your dream consultant post
- To learn how to structure your answers to maximise your performance
- To bring confidence and authority into your interview performance
- To learn how to improve any presentation required on interview day
- To be able to anticipate what the interviewer wants and where to take it
- To cover key NHS issues

Registration fee

***Early bird fee: £200**

*Early bird fee expires on 27 January 2025

Register here: <https://bit.ly/conprep25>

Programme

09:30	Registration and refreshments
10:00	Welcome and introduction Mr Hiro Tanaka, Consultant Trauma Orthopaedic Surgeon, Royal Gwent Hospital Mr Rajesh Nanda, Consultant Trauma Orthopaedic Surgeon, University Hospital of North Tees and Hartlepool and Mr Paul Banaszkiwicz, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Queen Elizabeth Hospital
10:10	What can I do NOW to improve my chances of getting a consultant job?
10:25	Pre-application: How do I approach it?
10:40	How to write a winning application form
10:55	Q&A
11:05	Refreshments
11:20	Shortlisted: What now?
11:35	Interview and presentation skills
12:00	Virtual interviews: A new norm?
12:15	Q&A
12:25	What the hospital is looking for: Perspectives from a medical director
12:40	What the department is looking for: Perspectives from a clinical director
12:55	Life as a new consultant – 10 top tips
13:10	Q&A
13:20	Lunch
14:00	Introduction to interview workshops
	WORKSHOPS
14:10	Rotation 1: Improving your interview presentation
14:30	Rotation 2: RCSEng AAC and consultant interviewer – how to deal with specific clinical questions and how to maximise your CV score
14:50	Rotation 3: Clinical director – keepings tabs on your own practice, NJR data, and disruptive colleagues
15:10	Refreshments
15:20	Rotation 4: Medical directors – what candidate can bring to the job, and why this hospital
15:40	Rotation 5: Trust HR representative – team work, core values and trust vision
16:00	Rotation 6: Pre-interview visit – how to create the best possible impression
16:20	Summary and close of day