

## Process for Transferring from Core Surgical (CS) Teaching Into Higher Surgical (HS) Teaching Programmes

### Background

Core surgical trainees are expected to achieve the necessary competencies outlined on the ISCP website ([www.ISCP.ac.uk](http://www.ISCP.ac.uk)-Syllabus-CoreSurgicalTraining2010) and the North Western Deanery provides a comprehensive core surgical teaching programme that follows this syllabus and aims to equip trainees with the common surgical knowledge and skills and generic professional behaviours, while sampling a number of surgical specialties.

It is not aimed solely at MRCS candidates but also those post-MRCS. Often core surgical training is the only time whereby surgical trainees will be taught and exposed to surgical specialties that are not within their future career path. This will give them a rounded knowledge base that will prepare them for their future patient management. Anatomy and surgical skills workshops will complement the lecture based core surgical teaching programme.

### Introduction

Trainees who have discussed with their Educational Supervisor how their educational needs can best be met through the Higher Surgical Teaching Programmes can apply to transfer.

To be eligible to transfer, a trainee must fulfil following 3 criteria:

1. Completed 18 months of core surgical training in the North West Deanery
2. Successfully completed MRCS exam (Part A&B)
3. Satisfactory attendance\* at the core surgical teaching programme of >70%

*\*Attendance of <70% due to Annual Leave, Study Leave, Service commitment, Illness or On nights will be reviewed by the Core Surgical Training Committee.*

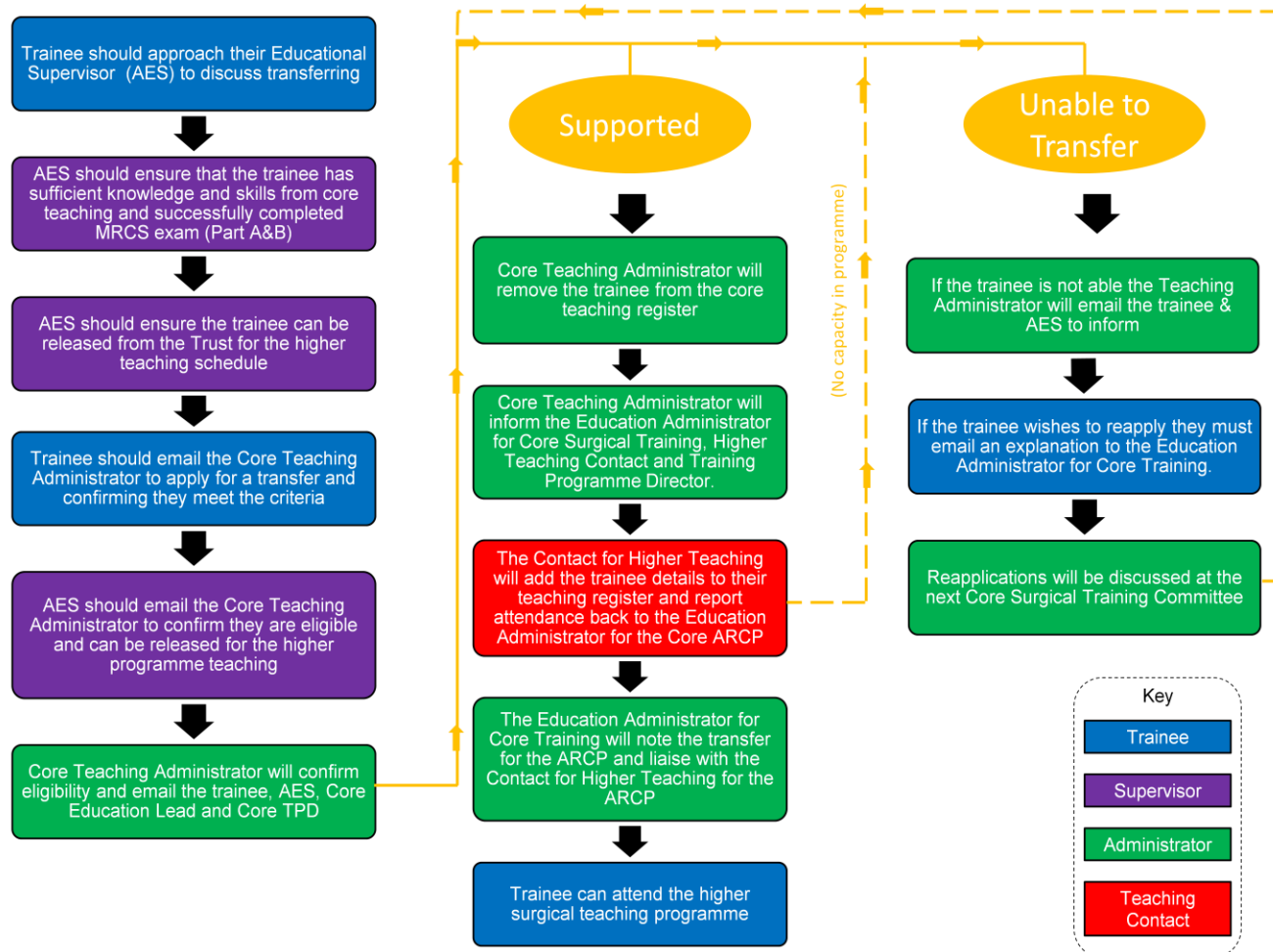
- *All transfers are subject to the Higher Teaching Programme capacity being able to accept core trainees without disadvantaging the higher trainees opportunities.*

Satisfactory attendance at higher surgical teaching will be expected at the trainee's next ARCP, documented evidence must be recorded on ISCP and the Teaching Contact for the Higher Teaching Programme will be expected to liaise with the Education Administrator to provide this.

### Reapplication / Review

If a trainee does not meet the above criteria but still feels they have exceptional circumstances, then they must send an email explaining their case to the Education Administrator for Core Surgical Training who will arrange for their case to be considered at the next Core Surgical Training Committee meeting.

**Process**



**Approval**

The process was approved at the Core Surgical Training Committee (November 2010) and was reviewed by the Associate Dean in March 2011. The process will be reviewed again by the Specialty School Manager in September 2011.

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