As a trainee GP in Wales, you’ll get the chance to work in modern facilities, receive support from experienced doctors and take advantage of our flexible training options.

We have opportunities all over the country, from vibrant cities to lively valley towns and traditional villages – and whether you choose to train in a rural or urban setting, you’ll experience the strong sense of community that connects the whole country and makes Wales such a rewarding place to train, work and live.
GP Training in Wales

GP specialty training
GP specialty training in Wales consists of 18 months in approved hospital posts and 18 months in general practice posts. The Wales Deanery offers twelve training Schemes across Wales.

During your training you’ll have a nominated GP Educational Supervisor who will meet with you at regular intervals throughout your training. In addition to this you will also have support and advice available to you from one of the GP Programme Directors responsible for the local management of the GP training Scheme.

In fact, by choosing to train in Wales, you’ll get access to loads of great benefits – all carefully provided to help you make the most of this important period of your career:

• Have the opportunity to apply for GP Academic Training posts
• Get support from a single lead employer
• Take advantage of GP focussed education sessions during all hospital posts
• The opportunity to apply for a Global Health Fellowship place and take time out of programme to work in South Africa.

Indemnity covered
As a trainee GP all your medical indemnity needs are taken care of by the Welsh Risk Pool – meaning you’ll be covered in full whether your training post is based in hospital or general practice.

An Education Contract like no other
The Education Contract in Wales is different to the rest of the UK because it guarantees you access to all the educational opportunities appropriate to your training.

Benefit from a single lead employer
All GP Trainees in Wales are now employed by a single lead employer NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership (NWSSP). This means you’ll only need to sign one contract and you’ll receive a completely joined-up experience across the entirety of your training, including getting all your queries answered quickly.

Take advantage of Less than Full-Time Training
The option to train on a less than full-time basis (LTFT) helps you devote time to other areas of your life should anything unexpected happen, or if you plan to undertake development opportunities, or start a family. The Wales Deanery welcomes LTFT applications and if accepted you’ll need to work at least 50% of the whole time equivalent during both the hospital and GP phase of your programme.

Develop the organic way
The Wales Deanery is fully committed to Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for GPs. This means you’ll be able to choose from a comprehensive range of training courses and your development will be informed by a well-established appraisal system. Once fully qualified, you’ll be encouraged to develop your own training skills so you can help the next generation of trainee GPs in Wales reach their potential.