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Important information for final year trainees:

Period of Grace:

In line with the Terms and Conditions of Service for Junior Doctors trainees in Wales are entitled to a 6 month Period of Grace following completion of training. This Grace Period will be your final placement with no extensions issued beyond the 6 months period. Unless you advise us otherwise, the Secondary Care Specialty Training Office will presume you wish to take advantage of this Period of Grace and that you will leave the training scheme 6 months after your CCT date. You will therefore remain a trainee, holding a National Training Number during this period.

Resigning from the training programme at CCT date:

Should you wish to not take up the Period of Grace or not utilise the full 6 months you are entitled to you must submit your resignation. To do this send a letter or an e-mail of resignation to:

Professor Peter Donnelly
Interim Medical Dean
Health Education & Improvement Wales
Ty Dysgu; Cefn Coed; Nantgarw ; Cardiff ; CF15 7QQ

Email to: HEIW.postgraduateDean@wales.nhs.uk

With copies to:

- Your Training Programme Director
- The Medical Personnel Department of the Health Board where you work
- The Secondary Care Training Section programme team at HEIW-recruitment@wales.nhs.uk

Notice periods:

You are required to provide 3 months' notice that you wish to resign, even if this is during your post CCT extension period. Should you be in the last 3 months of your Period of Grace you must work up to the end of this placement.

For example - If your CCT date is 1st January, your Period of Grace will be up to 30th June.

- a) Should you not wish to take up your Grace Period you need to submit your resignation by 1st September.
- b) If you obtain a Consultant/Locum post on 15th January, you will need to resign providing 3 months' notice meaning your last working day will be 14th April.
- c) If you obtain a Consultant/Locum post on 15th April, your 3 months' notice will take you beyond your Grace Period and so your last working day will be 30th June.

GMC Specialist Registration:

Registration to the GMC Specialist register is not automatic. Once you have received your outcome 6, your Royal College must be notified. This is **your** responsibility. The Royal College will check your outcome 6 and make a recommendation to the GMC. The process takes approximately 1 to 3 months.

There is a small fee by the GMC. Information can be found at: <https://www.gmc-uk.org/registration-and-licensing/the-medical-register/a-guide-to-the-medical-register/specialist-registration>

When can I apply for Consultant positions?

You can be interviewed for consultant positions six months prior to your CCT date. The GMC are very strict about this, and will check your consultant interview date against your CCT date to ensure it is within the 6 month period.

Please note, you may therefore apply for a post prior to the 6 months, but must not be interviewed before 6 months.

Revalidation Process 'post training':

During your Period of Grace you will remain a trainee and the Deanery will continue to be your Designated Body for revalidation purposes.

Once you receive your Outcome 6 it is important that you do not disconnect from the Deanery as your Designated Body before your CCT date. This is because your new Designated Body will expect that you have been revalidated at CCT, and the Deanery are unable to do this if you are not a connected doctor.

The Deanery will revalidate you at the point of CCT, therefore your next revalidation date will be scheduled for 5 years following this.

Upon leaving the Deanery training programme you will need to change your designated body to your new employing organisation. If you choose not to take up employment immediately after completing training and so do not have a responsible officer or suitable person you will need to inform the GMC revalidation team.

You must ensure you are familiar with the requirements of your new organisation in relation to revalidation and the information you should be collating and methods for recording this.