

Study ID:
M/F:
Age:

Questionnaire for Clinical Assistants

For questions with multiple options, please select the option most applicable to yourself unless it specifies you may select multiple options. IMG = International Medical Graduate.

Likert scale to be used for Q12a, 13, 15, 16

1 (Not confident at all)	2 (Slightly confident)	3 (Somewhat confident)	4 (Fairly confident)	5 (Very confident)	N/A (Never been taught)
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Q1a Medical School							Q1b Tick if GEM	
Q2a Year of Study (in March 2020)	1 st		3 rd		5 th (Pre-finals)		Intercalating	
	2 nd		4 th		5 th (Post-finals)		N/A (IMG)	
Q2b If IMG, please state years of working as a doctor prior to NGH								
Q3 Prev. clinical exp.	0 months	<3 months	3-6 months	6-12 months	12-18 months	18-24 months	24+ months	
Q4 Start date at NGH		Q5 No. of shifts worked so far (check Patchwork)						
Q6 Average No. of hours worked per week (check Patchwork)								
Q7 Wards / specialties where you have worked majority of your shifts (5 or more shifts) – can select more than one								
Willow	Cedar	Rowan	Hawthorn	Collingtree	Surgery	Holcot	Brampton	
Walter	Creaton	Talbot	Dryden	Spencer	Knightley	Urgent Care	Esther White	
Tull		Butler				H&N	Finedon	
Abington	Eleanor	Althorp	Allebone	Benham	Beckett			
Other (please specify)								
Q8 No. of night shifts worked:				Q9 Ward/specialty for night shift:				
Q10 Did you have login-in details for the IT systems on your first shift? Yes / No	Trust login	ICE	VitalPa c	PCS EDN	EMRAD (scans)	Trust email		
Q11 If no access to any of the above, did you get access eventually? (Specify the system)	Within 1 week	Within 2 weeks	Within 1 month	Within 2 months	Still no access (any reason given?)			

Q12a How confident did you feel doing the procedure **before** you started working at NGH? *Please score yourself for each procedure below using the Likert scale at the top of Page 1.*

Blood s	Blood Cultures	ABGs	VBGs	Cannulas	Catheters
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Q12b If you had never been taught any of the above procedures before, did you have any difficulty getting permission from your medical school?

No – I received permission before starting	Yes – I received permission after starting (how long was the delay?)	Yes – I wasn't given permission
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Q13 How confident do you now feel doing the procedure **after** working at NGH? *Please score yourself for each procedure below with the Likert scale at the top of Page 1. **If you have been taught but not had a chance to do the procedure yet, please put an X in the box instead.***

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Q14 Are there any other **practical skills** you have been able to gain experience of during your time at NGH? *Please list them below – e.g. inserting NG tubes, skin suturing.*

Q15 How confident did you feel completing the following tasks expected of a junior doctor **before** working at NGH? *Please score yourself for each task with the Likert scale on Page 1.*

Prepping notes for WR		Documenting on the WR		Requesting scans on ICE		Vetting scans with radiology	
Writing EDNs (discharge letters)		Initial assessment of an unwell patient		Clerking a patient: Hx & examine		Clerking a pt: Dx & initial Mx plan	

Q16 How confident do you feel completing the following tasks expected of a junior doctor **after** working at NGH? *Please score yourself for each task with the Likert scale on Page 1.*

Prepping notes for WR		Documenting on the WR		Requesting scans on ICE		Vetting scans with radiology	
Writing EDNs (discharge letters)		Initial assessment of an unwell patient		Clerking a patient: Hx & examine		Clerking a pt: Dx & initial Mx plan	

Q17 Are there any other tasks you now feel more confident of doing **after** working at NGH? *E.g. seeking advice from another specialty for a patient, family discussions. **If you feel more confident prescribing, please also put this down here.***

Q18 For CAs who received HCA training, did you complete any of the tasks when working?

Takings obs		Personal care		Filling in documentation e.g. cannula care, fluid charts	
Changing beds		Mouth care			

Q19 For CAs who received HCA training, are you still completing any of the tasks now?

Yes (which one(s)?)		No	
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Q20 If you answered **no** to **Q19**, what is the reason why you are not doing them now?

Q21 Did you feel supported by the clinical team whilst working at NGH?

Never		Rarely		Sometime s		Often		Always s	
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Q22 If you had any concerns or issues whilst working, who would you seek support from **first**?
E.g. witnessing or experiencing unprofessional behaviour, struggling with aspects of the job.

Don't know		Mr Tristan McMullan		A consultant you've worked with	
Rosie Warren				A junior doctor you've worked with	
Other (please specify)					

Q23 Have you ever witnessed a distressing event whilst working at NGH? *E.g. an unsuccessful cardiac arrest.*

Yes (how many?)		No	
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Yes		No	
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Q24 If you answered yes to Q23, did you receive a debrief afterwards?

Yes		No	
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Q25 Do you know how to contact the SOS team?

Q26 Before working at NGH, I felt included as part of the clinical team on my previous clinical placements / clinical contact. *If no previous experience, put N/A.*

Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Often		Always		N/A	
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Q27 Whilst working at NGH, I felt included as part of the clinical team.

Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Often		Always	
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Q28 Whilst working at NGH, I felt I provided continuity of care towards patients by working in one ward / specialty on a regular basis.

Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Often		Always	
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Q29 Where you able to attend the formal teaching organised for you when you were working?

Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Often		Always	
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Q30 I found the formal teaching useful to my work as a Clinical Assistant.

Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Often		Always	
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Q31 Were you unable to work a booked shift(s) for any reason?

Self-isolation with COVID19 symptoms + a positive swab result	
Self-isolation with COVID19 symptoms + a negative swab result	
Self-isolation with COVID19 symptoms + inconclusive swab result	
Self-isolation with COVID19 symptoms + not able to get swabbed	
Self-isolation due to household member with COVID19 symptoms	
Unwell due to non-COVID related illness	
Other (e.g. family emergency) – please specify if able to.	

Q32 Were you able to get FIT-tested when you started working?

Within 1 week		Within 2 weeks		>2 weeks		Not yet been tested	
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Q33 I have looked after patients where there have been aerosol generating procedures present.

Yes		N	
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Q34 Whilst working at NGH, I have had the following commitments to my medical school (can select multiple options). If none – please skip this question.

Exams / Assessments (taking place whilst you were working at NGH)	
Revision for upcoming exams / assessments	
Scheduled online lectures / seminars / small group teaching	
Coursework with deadlines e.g. essays, online e-learning modules	
Other (please specify)	

Q35 If you have had medical school commitments, how did you find balancing this with your job as a clinical assistant?

Q36 If you have stopped working as a Clinical Assistant, what was the reason?

Q37 I have enjoyed my time working at NGH.

Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly agree	
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Q38 I believe that my experience at NGH has been a useful learning opportunity for the rest of my medical student career. **(IMGs to please skip this question).**

Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly agree	
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Q39 I believe that my experience at NGH will help me to catch up what I have missed when I return to medical school. **(IMGs to please skip this question).**

Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly agree	
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Q40 I believe that clinical assistantships should be incorporated into the medical school curriculum earlier than in the final year. **(IMGs to please skip this question).**

Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly agree	
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Q41 I believe that my experience at NGH will help me to get a job (as a doctor) in the NHS in the future, including helping me to pass PLAB (if this is applicable to you). **For IMGs only.**

Strongly disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly agree	
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Q42 How did you hear about the Clinical Assistant role at NGH?

Social Media		Internet search		Word of mouth		Medical school	
Other (please specify)							

Q43 Is there any feedback you would like to share that hasn't been covered?