

Section of Trainees (BSoT)

Formerly SURG

Newsletter - October 2018

Welcome

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new BAUS Section of Trainees (BSoT). This move from SURG to BSoT will hopefully provide a better platform for us to fulfil our aim of improving Urology training in the UK, through listening to and working with trainees, BAUS, the SAC and all the related training organisations.

Check out our article in Urology News: <https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/-ATICRg7jhrOD7h921yv>.

What we have been doing

Over the last few months we have worked hard to rewrite our terms of reference and have worked with the BAUS secretariat to organize how we will run, our Committee Meetings, and how we can contribute more to the summer BAUS meeting. We want to ensure that BSoT Representatives make difference, and it is clear to you all what we are doing and achieving.

We have been making plans for the Section of Trainees session at BAUS 2019, as well as deciding how best to engage with trainees of all grades, clinicians practicing urology and the wider surgical community. We have decided on prizes and fellowships that we hope will be useful and provide exciting opportunities to you as members.

New committee members needed!

Very shortly there will be a number of emails advertising for trainees to join the committee. We hope many of you will consider applying as we need energy and ideas to get the most out of this BAUS Section of Trainees.

Below are a few pieces of news and adverts which we think will be helpful to trainees – we have decided to limit what we include in the newsletter so we can focus on letting you know about training issues, but information about courses and surveys can still be found on the website. The Trainee section of the BAUS website has transformed and has lots of new information – please check it out and let us know what you would like to see (particularly if you are willing to help us write it).

Contact us

The Executive Officers are happy to hear from you using their emails but we also have an official BSoT email which will be checked regularly (see below). Contact details for all representatives are available on the [BAUS website](#)

#DontPayToStay

Are you being charged by your trust to stay on site for non-resident on calls because you feel you are not a safe distance away from the hospital to complete your on call? A number of hospital trusts have been charging urology registrars for on call rooms. BSoT is committed to challenging this and with the help of the BMA we are setting up a national campaign.

If your Trust is charging you for on-call accommodation, or if you would like some more information about why this is happening then please click on [this link](#) or click [here](#) to complete the questionnaire. If you have any other comments to add, please don't hesitate to [email us](#).

Waypoint survey

The SAC is implementing a waypoint at the end of ST4 (criteria which should be met in order to complete the training year) and a softer checklist at ST6 which would be used to evaluate progress toward achieving the requirements for CCT and may also be used to determine whether it is appropriate for a trainee to undertake a sub-specialist interest module.

The link below is to a survey that allows you to feedback on various aspects of these. It will take ten minutes to complete and is your best option for feeding back to the SAC: <http://sgiz.mobi/s3/SAC-Waypoint-Survey>

USANZ prize

This year we are lucky to be able to send two trainees to the Urological Society of Australia and New Zealand (USANZ) training week in Perth, Australia. The award has been provided with sponsorship from USANZ, The Urology Foundation, BAUS and BSoT. Many congratulations to Anna Walsh and Luke McGuinness for winning the prize this year.

Contact Us

Get in touch and let us know how we're doing:

Email: trainees@baus.org.uk

Twitter: @BSoT_UK

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SURGmembers/>

Happy training, and please keep engaged!

BSoT Council (formerly known as SURG)