

ARCPs

**What goes wrong...
How to get it right**

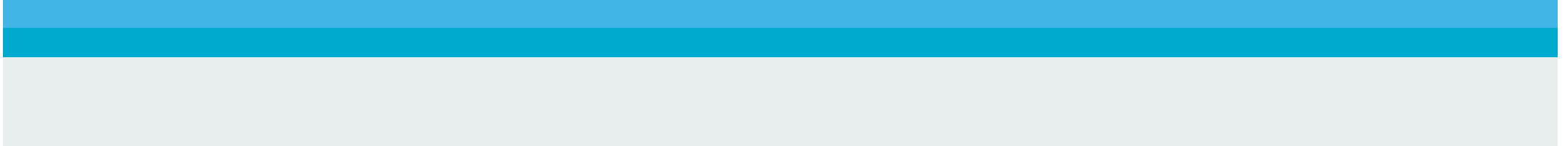
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Introductions



Background



Enhancing training and the support for learners

Health Education England's review of competence progression
for healthcare professionals



Developing people
for health and
healthcare

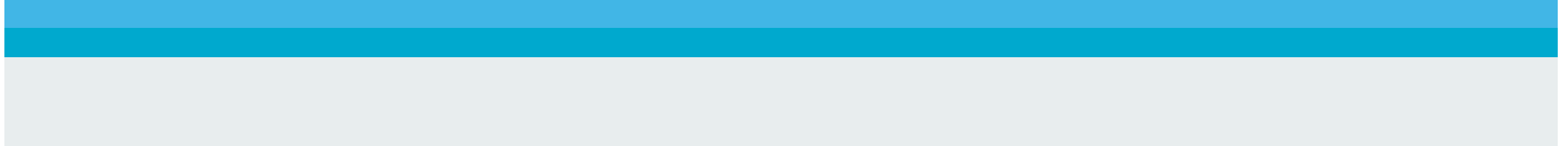
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This workshop...

- **Review principles of ARCPs**
- **Consider where they go wrong**
- **Learn from best practice**

Why ARCPs ?



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- **Patient safety**
- **Revalidation**
- **To make a decision about progressing through training**

Why training ?

The purpose of being in a training programme is to complete the training programme

1.15 The primary purpose of entry into training is to be able to progress towards and achieve either completion of a foundation programme (and obtain a Foundation Programme Certificate of Completion) or core training or obtain a Certificate of Completion of Training or equivalent.

Postgraduate doctors in training

In general:

- Highly intelligent
- Have successfully passed multiple stages and selections
- Have chosen a specific care path within medicine
- Are keen to succeed
- Are not immune from mental health challenges
- Are in a highly stressful job
- Have an identity that is closely linked to work and achievement

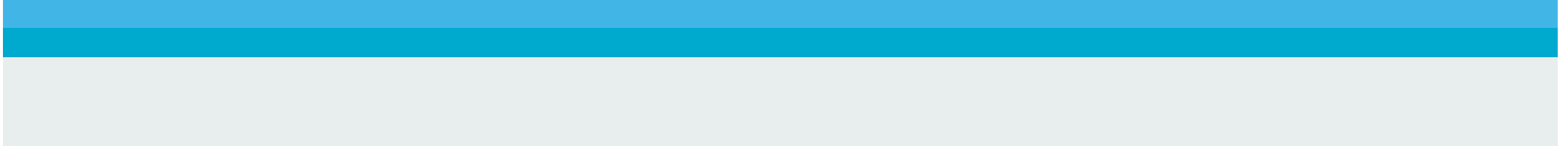
Need to consider...

- **Patient safety**
- **Supporting trainees' progression**
- **Trainees' wellbeing**

What goes wrong ?

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Timing...



ARCPs - timing

Training year



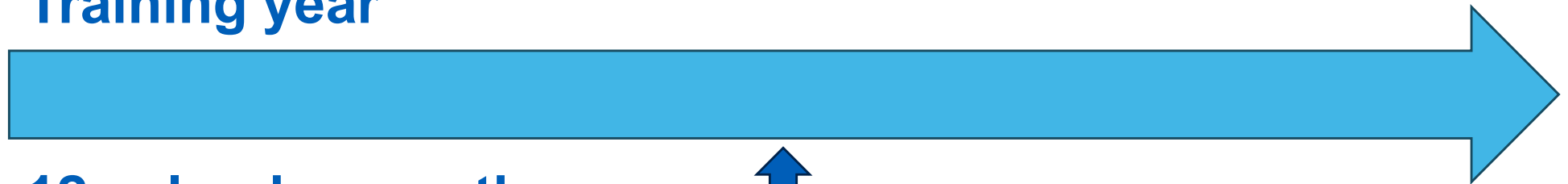
12 calendar months



ARCP

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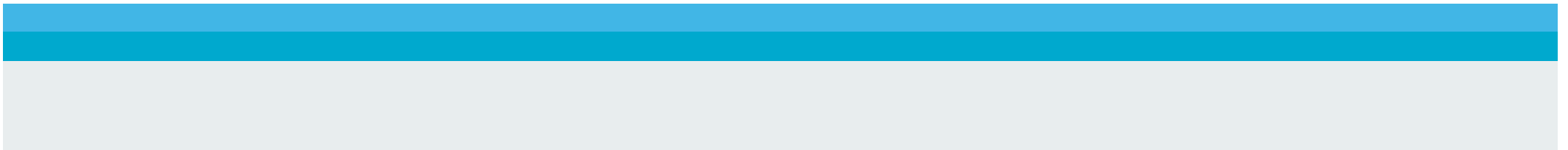
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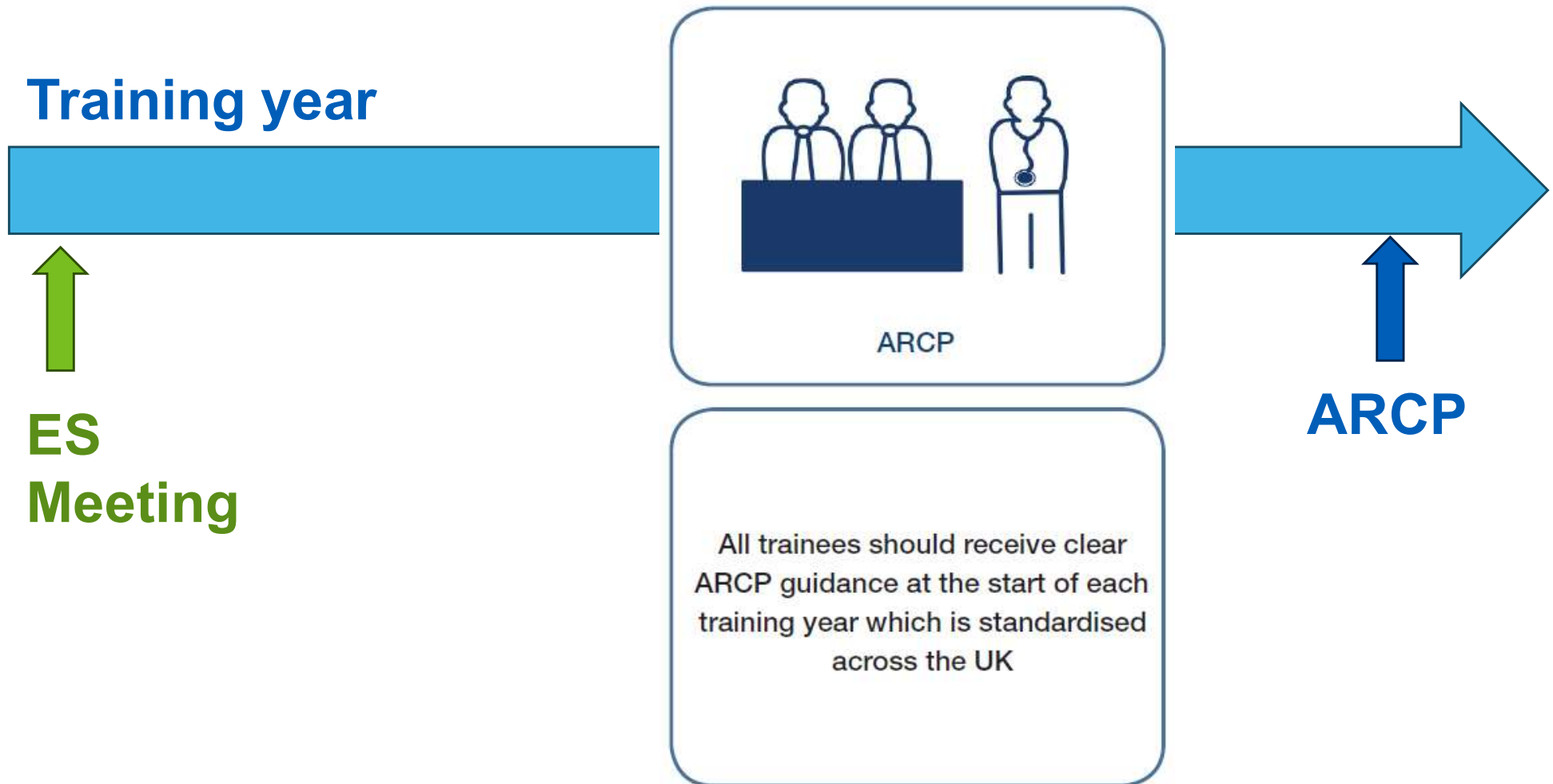
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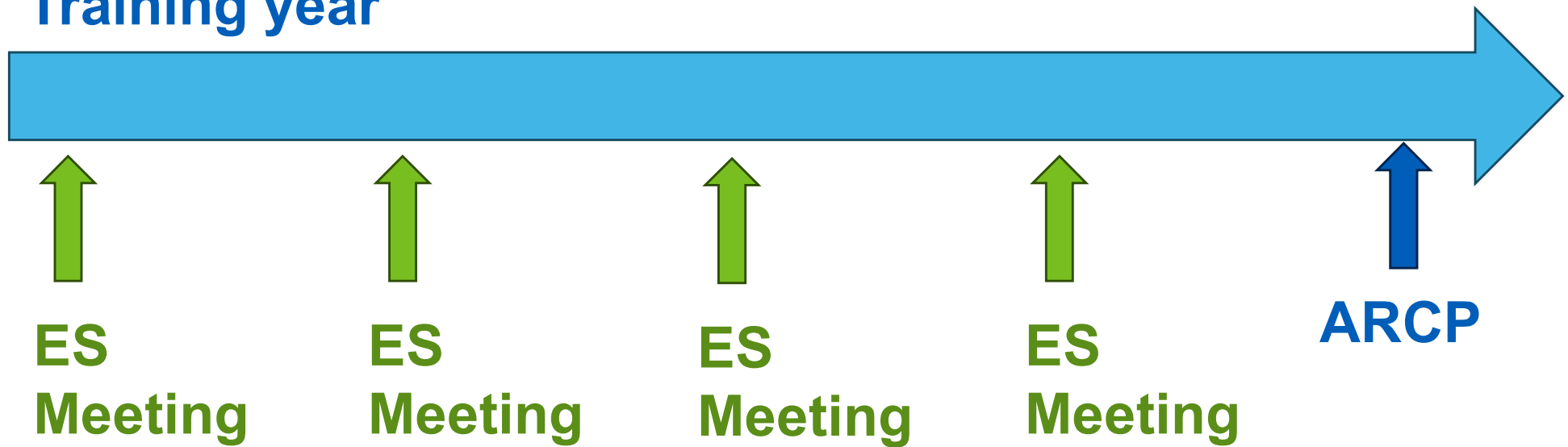


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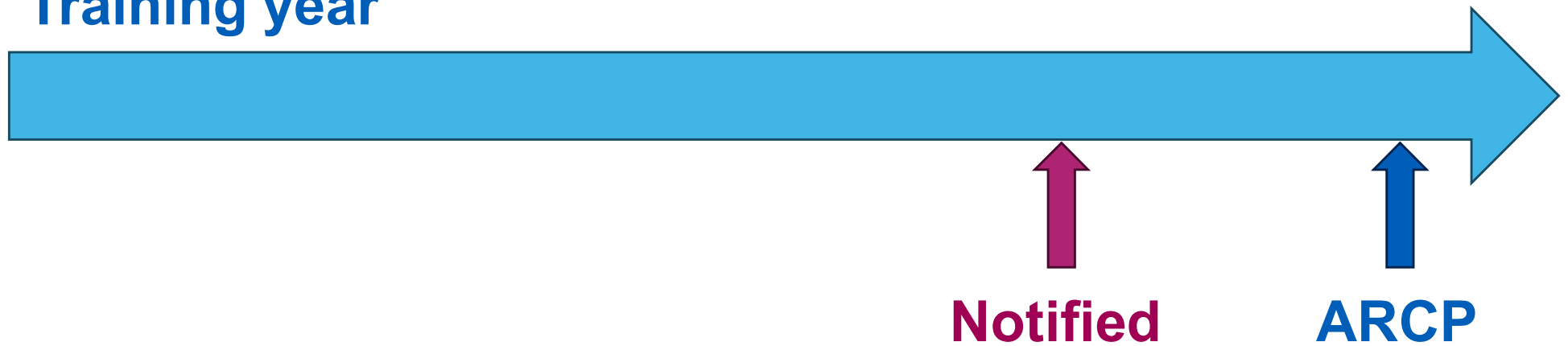
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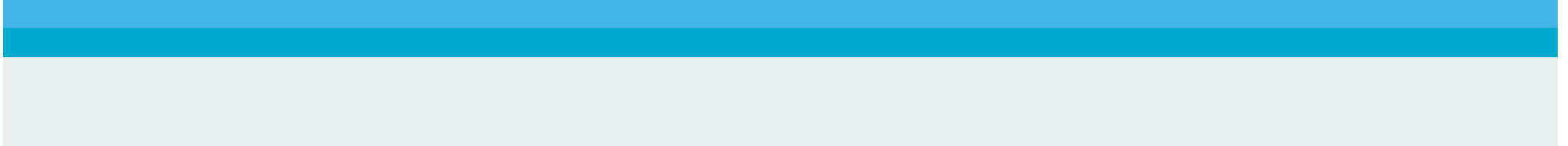


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The panel...



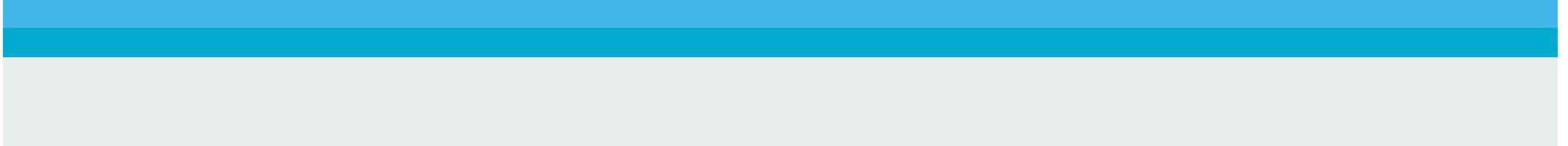
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- Chair (TPD...)
- 2 other panellists (or not quorate)
- Lay rep
- External rep
- Academic rep
- Dean's rep
- Admin support

Watch out for conflicts of interest...



What goes wrong ?

The evidence...

Evidence

What's required ?

Content:

- WPBAs
- Other portfolio entries (reflection)
- Form R

Form R

Covers the entire scope of practice for which a trainee holds a license to practice including:

- Locum work
- Voluntary work e.g. St John's Ambulance,
- Personal business, e.g. Botox
- Complaints and compliments arising across full scope of practice
- Involvement in and learning from investigated significant events arising across full scope of practice

Evidence

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- WPBAs
- Other portfolio entries (reflection)
- Form R
- Supervisor reports (CS / ES)

Evidence

Watch out for ...

- **Evidence from only part of the year**
- **Concerns not documented in the portfolio**
- **Informal sources of information, or information not shared**
- **Trainees should be aware of possible outcomes...**

What goes wrong ?

Outcomes

The ARCP outcomes

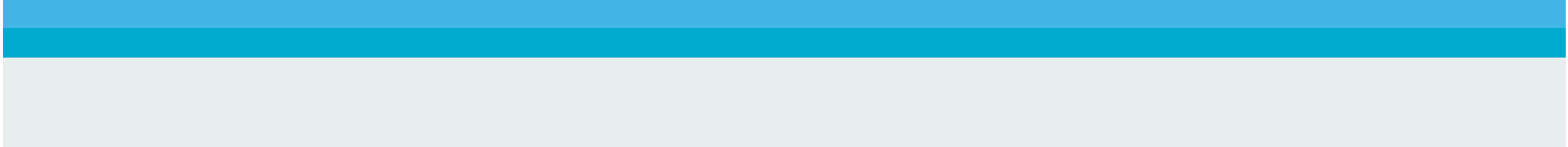
1	Satisfactory progress
2	Needs further development, extra time not needed
3	Needs further development with extra time
4	Removed from programme
5	Incomplete evidence
6	Completion of training programme
8	Out of programme – OOPE / OOPR / OOPC
10	<i>Previously - Covid related training delay</i>
U Codes	For an Unsatisfactory outcome
N Codes	For a Non-assessment
C Codes	For Outcome 10s

Adverse ?

1	Satisfactory progress
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Time in training



CCT date

Time in training
(WTE)

Dual training

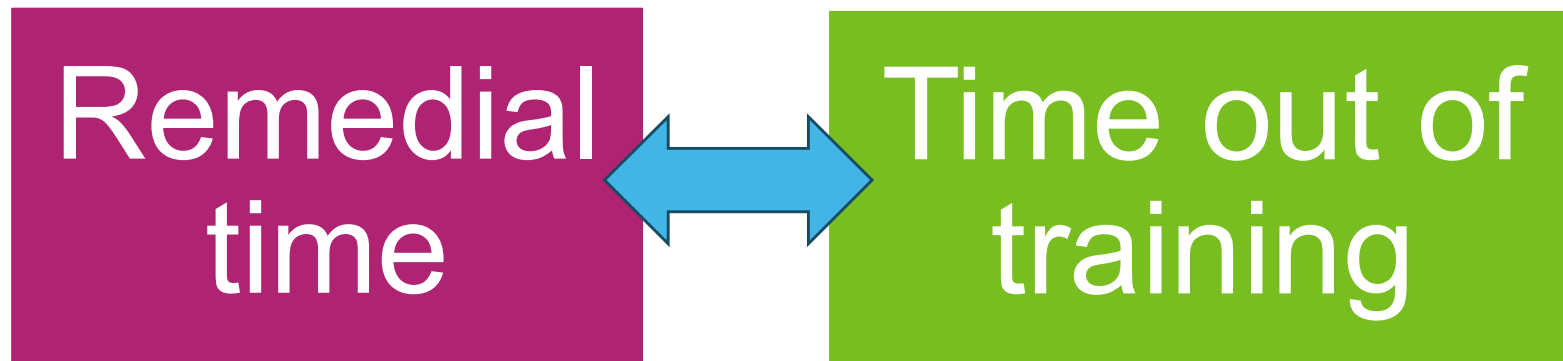
Remedial time

Time out of
training

Accelerated
training

Other (unusual)
circumstances,
eg training
opportunities

Time and outcome number



CCT Date / Grade at next rotation

Need to put on form

Consider:

- Time out of training
- Remedial time
- Any other changes

Outcome form

- Reasons for outcome
- Specific competencies that need to be achieved
- Record any mitigating circumstances
(should be in portfolio in advance)
- Note right of review/appeal and PSW availability
- Comment on any particular positives
- Updated CCT date (and grade at next rotation), next ARCP date

What goes wrong ?

After the ARCP...

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Note – might need to start planning before the ARCP

- **Speaking with the trainee**
- **Release of Outcome form**
- **Resolving Outcome 5s**
- **Arranging appropriate support for the trainee**
- **Planning next rotation**

Need to consider...



Patient safety



Supporting trainees' progression



Trainees' wellbeing

Questions or Comments ?