

Planning your Return: Checklist and Tips

Arrange a 'Planning Meeting' with your TPD/College Tutor and discuss:
 Your experiences of time out including the positives, negatives & any transferable skills Your concerns about returning to clinical practice - clinical and personal Confirm details of your placement Intention to train LTFT, if applicable Enhanced supervision options RTT courses & activities Additional support – psychological, professional development, mentoring, occupational health, GP
Complete the Pre-Return SuppoRTT Plan 2
 You can find the form on the <u>SuppoRTT pages of the NHSE website</u>.
Complete during or at the end of your meeting as a summary of your discussion
 If you are opting out of enhanced supervision this should be indicated on the form, including the reasons for this. Include all the courses you hope to do as this will be reviewed if you request reimbursement of fees & expenses
from SuppoRTT.
• Once processed by the central team you will receive a copy of your form. Please upload this to your e-portfolio.
This enables SuppoRTT to release any funding and keep you informed of relevant SuppoRTT related courses.
Refresh your clinical skills & knowledge
 Review the areas you need to refresh – Use the 'Planning exercise' if you need some help
Review the RTT activities sheet for ideas on useful activities
Review 'Funding guidance' to understand what financial help you can receive towards these activities.
Access additional support, if needed
 If you feel there are areas you need to address before returning to work, take some time to find the right
 support for your needs See the 'Accessing additional support' document
 Plan your workplace return/enhanced supervision period Enhanced supervision are days for you to familiarise yourself with your workplace and refresh your clinical skills.
 Up to 10 days are available & are paid at your basic daily rate
• These should be taken prior to your return date to allow you to be additional to the rota but can be taken in a
flexible way.
 It's useful to read 'The trainee guide to enhanced supervision' before your meeting to understand how this period can work for you and your individual circumstances.
 If you decide to do an enhanced supervision period, the other documents in the 'Planning your enhanced
supervision' section will guide you through the process.
 If you decide to opt out of enhanced supervision, you will still find useful information to help you optimise your
return to work, in the 'Enhanced supervision' section of this guide.
 Consider your personal circumstances/ongoing commitments If you have young children, this may include:
- Childcare arrangements, Plans for unexpected family emergencies, Logistical planning for everyday routines
Managing ongoing commitments e.g. research, project work, caring responsibilities, appointments
Strategies to protect your health & wellbeing
Confirm rota arrangements
 Contact your rota co-ordinator early to let them know you are returning after a break, inform them of any special circumstances and periods of enhanced supervision, so they have time to make adjustments to the rota.
 All trainees returning after a break should ideally not be rostered to work weekends or night shifts in the first two
weeks back (longer if LTFT), even after any enhanced supervision period.
Evening shifts should have adequate peer or consultant supervision, as you feel is needed
 If you have any difficulties, please discuss this with your TPD/college tutor/SuppoRTT champion. Complete new starter paperwork
 Contact HR if you have not received your new starter paperwork including:
Details of pay & tax forms Security & ID badge forms
OH forms IT forms
Parking, if applicable DBS disclosure forms
Inform HR of your intention to have an enhanced supervision period, ideally 5 months before your intended start date