



ST1 O&G applicants – round 1 re-advert

To all 2020 ST1 Obstetrics & Gynaecology round 1 re-advert applicants

As you will be aware, face to face specialty recruitment interviews due to take place in April 2020 have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Following the cancellation, contingency plans have been reviewed for all medical and surgical specialties by senior clinical representatives from across the four nations, and junior doctor representatives from the BMA JDC and AoMRC trainees' committee, supported by the Medical and Dental Recruitment and Selection (MDRS) Team.

You may have seen the letter to Royal College Presidents outlining general principles for replacing face to face specialty recruitment to facilitate August 2020 start dates.

We are writing to confirm that the contingency plan for ST1 Obstetrics & Gynaecology is to cancel the round 1 re-advertisement application process altogether. This means that your application for ST1 Obstetrics & Gynaecology will progress no further.

The reason for this decision is that all but two posts were accepted during Round 1 with insufficient posts available to reasonably progress a second round of recruitment in the current circumstances.

We appreciate that this will be disappointing news for you and encourage you to apply for future applications in Obstetrics & Gynaecology. The next application window for ST1 Obstetrics & Gynaecology will be for the August 2021 intake and we expect to have further details available by October 2020 via <https://www.nwpgmd.nhs.uk/ogoverview>.

Please note that the ST1 Obstetrics & Gynaecology person specification for 2021 is not expected to change, and in order to be eligible for that intake, you should not have more than 24 months' experience in Obstetrics & Gynaecology by August 2021 (excluding Foundation modules or observerships/honorary posts).

Best wishes

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