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INTRODUCTION

Please ensure you read all guidance on the Core Psychiatry Recruitment website. This applicant information document contains information specific to the Scotland GP vacancy.

In 2027 there will be a separate Core Psychiatry vacancy for applications to Scotland only.

PLEASE NOTE: Applicants must only apply to either the SCOT (Scotland) Core Psychiatry vacancy OR the PSYNRO (Psychiatry National Recruitment Office) Core Psychiatry vacancy

There will be two vacancies for Core Psychiatry: one for England, Northern Ireland and Wales and a separate one for all programmes in Scotland. Applications will only be considered for one Core Psychiatry vacancy so applicants should ensure that they only apply to their preferred Core Psychiatry vacancy. The Oriel system will not prevent two applications being made, and at the closing date, any applicants that have a live (i.e. not withdrawn) application to both vacancies will have the first one submitted withdrawn with no option to change their preferred application.

The Scotland Core Psychiatry vacancy will follow the recruitment process as detailed on the **Core Psychiatry Recruitment website.**

Please refer to the UK MDRS specialty recruitment applicant guide for full details on applying to specialty training in the UK.

Guidance for anything specific to the Scotland vacancy is detailed below.

SPECIFIC TO SCOTLAND CORE PSYCHIATRY VACANCY

Fitness to Practice Declarations

If you make a Fitness to Practise declaration on your application form, you must complete a declaration form and submit it to **recruitmentftp@nes.scot.nhs.uk** providing further information. This must be provided at the time of application.

Declaration forms can be downloaded from the MDRS website.

Training Programme Information

Applicants will not complete preferences at the time of application. Eligible applicants will be contacted in February 2027 once programmes are available for preferencing.

Further information on CT1 Core Psychiatry programmes in Scotland can be found on the **specialty programme section** of the Scottish Medical Training website.

Please contact the **relevant administrator** in the Training Programme Management team directly if you have any queries about the training programme, placements, or training in Scotland.

Scotland Vacancy Recruitment Timeline

Recruitment to **CT1 Core Psychiatry** for posts commencing 4th August 2027 in Scotland will follow the UK Medical Recruitment Round 1 timetable (all times are UK):

Advert Published on **Oriel**	21st October 2026
Applications Open	22nd October 2026, 10am
Applications Close	19th November 2026, 4pm
Longlisting Completed	By 10th December 2026
MSRA Windows - **Further Info**	5th – 20th January 2027 and 10th to 18th February 2027
MSRA Results Released	By 22nd March 2027
Preferences Open	26th February – 5th March 2027
First Offers Released	By 6th April 2027, 5pm
Offer Hold Deadline	9th April 2027, 9am
Offer Upgrade Deadline	14th April 2027, 4pm

PLEASE NOTE: If there are any changes to the timeline once the recruitment round is underway, applicants will be contacted via Oriel.

CONTACTS

Scottish Medical Training Recruitment Team

- nationalrecruitment@nes.scot.nhs.uk

Fitness to Practice Declarations

- recruitmentftp@nes.scot.nhs.uk

Training Programme Management Team

- Available on the Scotland Deanery website

Complaints

The Complaints and Appeals process for Scottish Medical Recruitment and Selection is available here on the Scottish Medical Training website.

USEFUL LINKS

- Applicant Declaration
- Oriel Recruitment Portal
- Oriel Applicant User Guide (via resource bank)
- Person Specifications
- Scotland Training Programme Descriptors
- Scotland Deanery website
- UK Recruitment Guidance