

APPROVAL OF MENTAL HANDICAP HOSPITALS AND UNITS FOR M.R.C.PSYCH. TRAINING

Under the present rules it is permissible to spend a maximum period of 18 months in a Mental Handicap setting and to have this accepted as valid experience towards the three years' clinical experience necessary before taking the M.R.C.Psych. Examination.

A number of hospitals have been approved as part of a rotational training programme involving other branches of psychiatry. Other Mental Handicap institutions have been approved separately, though they have not as yet been visited by College Approval Panels (see list below).

The Court of Electors has decided to extend the Approval visiting programme to include Mental Handicap hospitals and units. The hospitals listed will be visited during the course of the next three years, having been given due notice. Other hospitals and centres which wish to seek approval for purposes of M.R.C.Psych. training should apply to the Approval Secretary for further information.

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ABERDEEN: Woodlands Hospital, in association with Wellwood Unit and Ladysbridge Hospital, Banff.
BANFF: (see Aberdeen)
BEDFORD: Bromham Hospital
BIRMINGHAM: Chelmsley Hospital, in association with Coleshill Hall Hospital, Coleshill; Weston Hospital, near Leamington Spa, and Over Whitacre House, near Coventry
Monyhull Hospital
BLACKBURN: Brockhall Hospital
BLACKROCK (Co Dublin): St John of God Services for the Mentally Handicapped
BRISTOL: Hortham Hospital and Brentry Hospital (Hortham-Brentry Group)
Stoke Park Group of Hospitals
BROMSGROVE: (see Kidderminster)
COLESHILL: (see Birmingham)
CARMARTHEN: (see Pontyclun)
CATERHAM: St Lawrence's Hospital
CHERTSEY: Botleys Park Hospital
COVENTRY: (see Birmingham)
CWMBRAN (Gwent): Llanfrechfa Grange Hospital
DUBLIN: Service for Mentally Handicapped, Daughters of Charity
Stewart's Hospital, Palmerstown in association with Moore Abbey, Monasterevan, Co Kildare
EDINBURGH: Gogarburn Hospital
GLASGOW: Lennox Castle and associated hospitals
INVERNESS: Craig Phadrig Hospital
KIDDERMINSTER: Lea Castle Hospital, in association with Lea Hospital, Bromsgrove
KINROSS: Glenlomond Hospital
LARBERT: Royal Scottish National Hospital

LEAMINGTON SPA: (see Birmingham)
LEEDS: Meanwood Park Hospital, in association with Crooked Acres Hospital
LINCOLN: Harmston Hall Hospital, in association with Half-Way House, Shannon Avenue; Caistor Hospital, Caistor; Fleet Hospital, Spalding; St Peter's Hospital, Bourne; and Tuxford Hostel, Tuxford
LLANFAIRFECHAN: Bryn-y-Neuadd Hospital
MONASTEREVAN (Co Kildare): (see Dublin)
MORPETH: Northgate and District Hospital
MUCKAMORE (Co Antrim): Muckamore Abbey Hospital
NORWICH: Little Plumstead Hospital
PONTYCLUN: Hensol Hospital, in association with Drymma Hospital, Skewen; Llwyneryr Hospital, Swansea, and Allt-y-Mynydd Hospital, Carmarthen
PRUDHOE (Northumberland): Prudhoe and Monkton Hospital
READING: Borocourt Hospital, in association with Smith Hospital, Henley-on-Thames; Adolescent Unit, Borocourt Hospital; Mary Sheridan Unit, Borocourt Hospital; Child Guidance Clinics, Reading, Newbury and Oxon; Royal Berkshire Hospital Psychiatric Clinics
RETTFORD: Rampton Hospital
ST ALBANS: Cell Barnes Hospital
Harperbury Hospital
SKEWEN (Glam.): (see Pontyclun)
SOUTH OCKENDON (Essex): South Ockendon Hospital
STOKE-ON-TRENT: Stallington Hospital
SWANSEA: (see Pontyclun)
WAKEFIELD: Fieldhead Hospital