Dear Colleague

MODERNISING MEDICAL CAREERS: HUMAN RESOURCES ASPECTS OF FOUNDATION AND SPECIALTY TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Summary

1. SGHD should now like to advise of dates for Foundation and Specialty Training Programmes for 2008-2009.

2. The correct start dates which Boards should follow for Foundation House Officers (FHO) and Specialty Registrars (StR) 1, 2, 3 and 4 are as follows:

- FHO1 doctors will start work on 5 August 2008.
- FHO2, StR1 and StR2 will rotate on 6 August 2008.
- FHO1, FHO2, StR1 and StR2 on 3 month placements will rotate on: 5 November 2008, 4 February 2009 and 6 May 2009.
- FHO1, FHO2, StR1 and StR2 on 4 month placements will rotate on: 3 December 2008 and 1 April 2009.
- FHO1, FHO2, StR1 and StR2 on 6 month placements will rotate on: 4 February 2009.
- StR3 and StR4 posts will begin on 6 August 2008.

3. For StR3, StR4 and above posts that involve rotations, then these will be specific to the individual specialty and this will not necessarily have a common rotation date.

Yours sincerely

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