
Sub-specialty Programme Information

Paediatric Gastroenterology 2026

Programme summary:

The table below contains a list of all the programmes for the above sub-specialty for training programmes starting in August/September 2026, that are being advertised in this round.

Please note that an additional programme, based in North West Manchester, rotating to Alder Hey and Leeds, has been added to the list, as of 21 October 2025.

SharePoint:

The job descriptions for each post can be found via this [SharePoint link](#). Within the SharePoint site, you will find the following a folder for each sub-specialty recruiting for 2026, within which there will be:

- Regional Folder(s): for each Lead Deanery that is offering posts in that sub-specialty, containing;
- Regional sub-folder(s): for each programme using the Programme Title, containing;
- JD(s): job descriptions for each hospital/centre in the programme, as PDF files (N.B. The file titles contain an internally generated abbreviation code and the name of the location in which that job. You will not need to remember the abbreviation code, when preferencing in the Oriel system).

Using the Programme document:

The following terms are used in the programme list below – they may also be used in the SharePoint site and/or Oriel system, as described:

Lead Deanery = the main region submitting the programme; also the title of the regional folders in SharePoint

Programme Title = corresponds to the regional sub-folder in SharePoint; this will also be the offer code in Oriel

Paediatric training is capability based so the stated duration of posts is indicative. Applicants may therefore progress through sub-specialty programmes at a rate quicker than this indicative time. Please refer to the [applicant guide](#) and [RCPCH curriculum](#) for further information.

Application Process

Applications for Sub-specialty recruitment 2026 open from 12 noon Wednesday 22 October 2025 and close at 12 noon Wednesday 12 November 2025.

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CSAC webpage: <https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/membership/committees/paediatric-gastroenterology-hepatology-nutrition-csac>

For general application enquiries, please contact: subspecialty@rcpch.ac.uk

Maximum number of sub-specialty appointments that may be made in 2026 for Paediatric Gastroenterology

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Lead Deanery	Programme Title (Abbreviation code)	Hospital(s)/Centre(s)	Places Available	Additional Information
East Midlands	East Midlands North - Nottingham & Birmingham (2025GASNottBirmBirm)	Nottingham Children's Hospital, Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham (12 months) Birmingham Children's Hospital (18 months) Birmingham Children's Hospital, Paediatric Hepatology (6 months)	1	This is a 3-year training programme with 12 months spent in Nottingham Children's Hospital (QMC) and 24 months in Birmingham Women and Children's Hospital (BWCH) (to include 6 months in Hepatology). The programme will provide comprehensive training in all aspects of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition in busy units that are geographically not too far from each other. The training will include experience in outpatient clinics and inpatient management alongside endoscopy experience and comprehensive training in Hepatology within the rotation. Both hospitals have a dynamic Nutrition Support and Intestinal Failure Team working closely with each other. The Liver Unit at Birmingham Women's and Children's Hospital is 1 of only 3 national centres for specialised paediatric liver and liver transplantation services and 1 of 2 national units for small bowel transplantation. Program: 12 months, Paediatric Gastroenterology, Nottingham Children's Hospital 18 months, Paediatric Gastroenterology, BWCH 6 months, Paediatric Hepatology, BWCH.
London	London - Royal London & St George's (2025GASRoyStG)	Royal London Hospital (12 months) St George's Hospital (12 months)	2	This is a 36-month WTE indicative training programme that will start at Royal London or St George's and rotate through one or more of the following: GOSH, Royal London, Royal Free (to be merged with GOSH), King's and Chelsea and Westminster. A 6-month WTE placement in Hepatology at King's will be incorporated into the programme. Duration and location of individual placements will be confirmed in line with training requirements and LTFT arrangements.

North East	North East - Newcastle & Leeds (2025GASNewcLeedLeed)	Great North Children's Hospital, Newcastle (12 months) Leeds General Infirmary (Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust) (18 months) Leeds General Infirmary, Paediatric Hepatology (6 months)	1	This post will provide comprehensive training in Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition across 2 sites with the trainee spending 12 months in Paediatric Gastroenterology at the Great North Children's Hospital (Newcastle upon Tyne NHS Trust), 18 months in Paediatric Gastroenterology at Leeds General Infirmary (Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust) and 6 months in Hepatology at Leeds General Infirmary (Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust). Whilst in the post the trainee will gain experience of inpatient and outpatient care of a wide range of gastroenterological and nutritional conditions. They will work alongside a multidisciplinary team to support children within a large tertiary children's hospital. At the Great North Children's Hospital will support one of two bone marrow transplant units in the country to transplant for immunological conditions and our cardiothoracic and ECMO teams.
North West	North West Mersey - Alder Hey & Birmingham & Manchester (2025GASAldeBirmManc)	Alder Hey Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (18 months) Birmingham Children's Hospital, Paediatric Hepatology (6 months) Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (12 months)	1	The programme allows the successful rotation to train through 3 centres (Liverpool, Manchester and Birmingham) to offer outstanding training opportunities and a healthy work-life balance. The trainee will have the privilege and enjoyment to work in the brand new and iconic new Children's hospital (Alder Hey Children's Health Park). The candidate will complete paediatric hepatology training at the Liver centre in Birmingham. The program takes into account the curriculum put forward for training in paediatric gastroenterology by the British Society for Paediatric Gastroenterology Hepatology & Nutrition. These include management of gastroenterology inpatients, participation in outpatient clinics as appropriate for their training, formal endoscopy training (upper gastrointestinal endoscopy, colonoscopy, interventions including PEG-insertions, PEG-to Button procedures, polypectomies), diagnostic GI physiology studies including participation in video capsule endoscopy, ph/impedance studies, manometry and breathe tests. The trainee will also undergo training in the nutritional management of children requiring both enteral and parenteral nutrition in collaborative management with medical and surgical teams.

North West	North West Manchester - Manchester & Alder Hey & Leeds (2025GASMancAldeLeed)	Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (18 months) Alder Hey Children's Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (12 months) Leeds General Infirmary (6 months)	1	Three year training programme in three centres with outstanding clinical training opportunities, providing 18 months of training in paediatric gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition at the UK's largest Children's hospital - The Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (RMCH); 12 months in the newly built Alder Hey Children's Hospital (Children's Health Park) in Liverpool, and 6 months of exclusive hepatology training at the quaternary hepatology service in the Children's hospital in Leeds. With 7 consultants, the department provides excellent opportunities for training. With an average of 1 endoscopy list per consultant per week and dedicated protected training each week, we offer comprehensive training opportunities in diagnostic and (dependent on trainee requirements) therapeutic endoscopy. All trainees are offered the opportunity to meet all requirements for JAG certification. The department provides tertiary regional service for the whole of the North West of England, and parts of Cumbria, proving services for a wide range of gastrointestinal conditions such as inflammatory and eosinophilic diseases of the GI tract and motility conditions of the upper and lower GI tract. Specialist services include: The Regional Paediatric Inflammatory bowel disease service with over 450 children with inflammatory bowel disease. There is an average of 75 new IBD patient referrals per year. This service includes very early onset IBD and a formal multidisciplinary transition service. The Regional Multidisciplinary Intestinal Failure Service with 45 Home Parenteral Nutrition patients and also includes a formal multidisciplinary transition service. There is close collaboration with other regional and national services co-located at the RMCH offering excellent opportunities for collaborative working with Paediatric surgery, Paediatric allergy, Paediatric endocrine and Respiratory medicine, Paediatric nephology, oncology, cardiology, immunology and Metabolic medicine, Paediatric rheumatology and The New-born services. RMCH offers a formal polyposis service with regular clinics involving the regional Centre for Genomic Medicine and Surgery. There are also regular joint clinics and a weekly multidisciplinary team meeting held with the Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary team in the Regional Pancreatic Centre In addition to Specialist consultant led clinics, there are also Specialist dietetic led clinics e.g. coeliac clinic and a dedicated supervised trainee clinic each week Other Paediatric Gastroenterology investigations provided include oesophageal Manometry (to all children over the age of 12) pH impedance study, Breath Tests The centre is benefiting from the on-going expansion in consultant numbers with the development of monthly drop-in clinics for DGH consultants and the development of a regional network service.
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South West	South West Severn - Bristol & Birmingham (2025GASBrisBirmBirm)	Bristol Royal Children's Hospital (18 months) Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Trust (12 months) Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Trust, Paediatric Hepatology (6 months)	1	This is a 3-year training programme (30 months gastroenterology/nutrition and 6 months hepatology). The rotation will start with 18 months gastroenterology at Bristol Children's Hospital then 18 months at Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Trust (12 months gastroenterology and 6 months hepatology).
Wessex	Wessex - Southampton & King's (2025GASSoutKing)	University Hospitals Southampton (24 months) Kings College Hospital, London, Paediatric Hepatology (6 months)	1	Total duration of programme is 36 months, to include 24 months training in gastroenterology and nutrition and Southampton Children's hospital and 12 months based in London, including 6 months in Hepatology at King's College hospital.

For more information on the recruitment process and to access the guidance please visit:

<https://www.rcpch.ac.uk/education-careers/apply-paediatrics/sub-specialties>