
Sub-specialty Programme Information

Paediatric Oncology 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.

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-oncology-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 Oncology

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Lead Deanery	Programme Title (Abbreviation code)	Hospital(s)/Centre(s)	Places Available	Additional Information
London	London - UCL & GOSH & Royal Marsden (2025ONCUGOSHROYA)	University College London Hospital (12 months) Great Ormond Street Hospital (TBC) Royal Marsden Hospital (TBC)	2	This is a 36-month WTE indicative training programme that will start at UCLH (2 posts) and rotate through Great Ormond Street and Royal Marsden (pending changes in service delivery/location). Duration of time at subsequent placements will be dependent on training need and LTFT requirements.
North West	North West Manchester - Manchester (2025ONCManc)	Royal Manchester Children's hospital (36 months)	1	The programme based at the Royal Manchester Children's Hospital will provide broad training in the management of the full range of paediatric solid tumours, brain tumours and leukaemia. In addition, there will be the opportunity to learn about stem cell transplantation and advanced cellular therapies for both malignant and non-malignant disease, and exposure to patients with haemoglobinopathies and hereditary coagulation disorders. The specialty trainee will take a lead role in the day-to-day management of in-patients, will present patients at the weekly diagnostic MDT and will be expected to be active in chemotherapy prescription, in close liaison with the oncology pharmacists. The specialty trainee will be expected to attend out-patient clinics in solid tumour and neuro-oncology. There are weekly solid tumour and neuro-oncology radiology meetings. Weekly late-effects clinics are run at RMCH and the Christie Hospital, and there is a regular late effects MDT. Training opportunities will be provided at the Christie in radiotherapy, including PBT, and TYA oncology. The grid trainee, with other trainees in paediatric oncology and our clinical and research fellows, is part of a 13-person rota that provides dedicated cover to the haematology, oncology and stem cell transplant patients.

North West	North West Mersey - Alder Hey & Manchester (2025ONCAIdeManc)	Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust (30 months) Royal Manchester Children's Hospital (6 months)	1	A comprehensive training programme in Paediatric Oncology will be based on the Oncology Haematology Unit at Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust. Training will be given in the management of all solid tumours, brain tumours and leukaemia. The programme includes training in a unit with expertise in: - Paediatric neuro-oncology, with recognised national and international reputations as a Tessa Jowell Centre of Excellence - Early phase clinical trials, being an ITCC and paediatric ECMC early phase clinical trials unit - Autologous Transplantation, as a JACIE accredited unit - Renal tumours of childhood - Paediatric Palliative care Other Aspects of Training in: - Allogeneic transplantation will be provided via a 6-month placement at Royal Manchester Children's Hospital - TYA Cancer Care, based in Alder Hey as an associate PTC for TYA, with opportunities for placements at other TYA units in the city. - The infrastructure and network delivery of CYP cancer care via The North West Children's Cancer Operational Delivery Network (NWCCODN) - Non-Malignant Haematology at a level appropriate for a Consultant Paediatric Oncologist - Planning and Delivery of Radiotherapy may be gained by placement at the Clatterbridge Centre for Oncology. Opportunities will be given for participation in research (local, regional and national), audit, guideline production and service evaluation.
Scotland	Scotland West - Glasgow (2025ONCGlas)	Royal Hospital for Children (24 months)	1	The trainee will be based within the Schiehallion Unit at the Royal Hospital for Children, Glasgow. It is envisaged that a 2-year rotation will provide comprehensive training in all aspects of malignant haemato-oncology. The trainee will spend six months training in malignant haematology and bone marrow transplant, one year in solid tumour oncology and six months in brain tumours.

Yorkshire and the Humber	Yorkshire & Humber - Leeds (2025ONCLeed)	Leeds General Infirmary (36 months)	1	This 2–3-year programme is based within Leeds Children's Hospital at the Leeds General Infirmary (LGI), which is one of 7 hospitals in Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust. The programme offers training in all aspects of paediatric and teenage and young adult (TYA) oncology and haematology including clinical oncology, palliative care and stem cell transplantation. There are three in-patient areas (paediatric, TYA and stem transplant) and a day hospital and clinic facility. Trainees also have the opportunity to spend some time in the young adult unit (18-25) at Leeds Cancer Centre at the St. James University Hospital site as part of their TYA oncology training. The unit has an excellent history of clinical research and is one of the UK paediatric Experimental Cancer Medicine Centres (ECMC). We have close collaborations and links with pre-clinical and clinical research teams at the University of Leeds and University of York. In particular with scientists in the Children's Cancer Candlelighter's laboratory and the brain tumour research laboratory both based within University of Leeds. Children's translational research is one of the five themes of CHORAL (https://choralresearch.org.uk/our-work/) which is a major new funded collaboration between Leeds Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and University of Leeds.
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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>