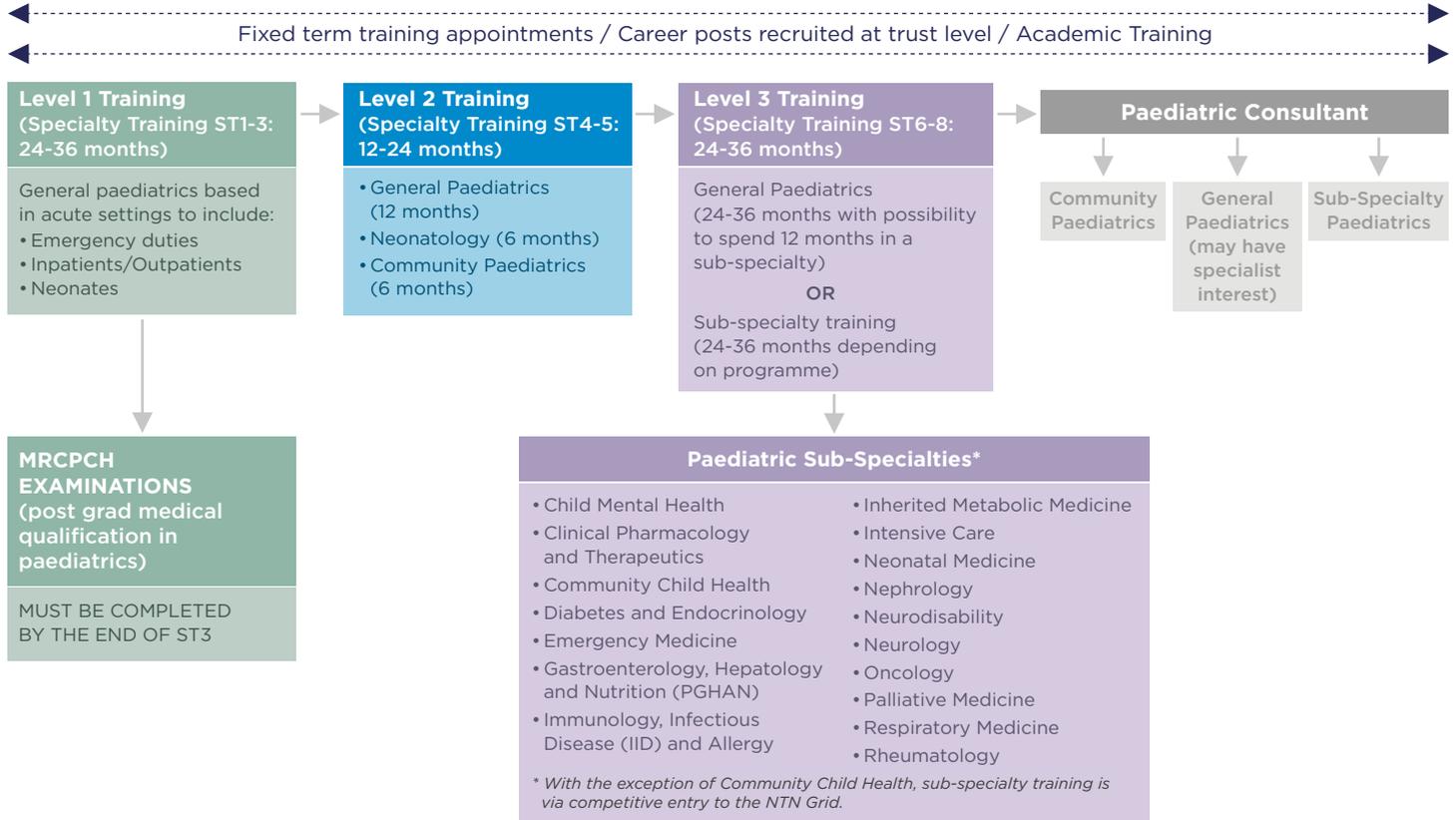


# The Paediatric Training Pathway



## Paediatric Specialty Training (ST)

Paediatrics offers a Run Through training programme, meaning that the years of training run continuously, providing you progress sufficiently. Training is monitored using a series of competency frameworks and a variety of assessment methods including examinations, supervision reports and work place based assessments.

The training pathway comprises of 3 levels;

**Level 1** (ST1-3, 24-36 months). General paediatrics in acute settings to include emergency duties, inpatient/outpatients and neonatal medicine.

**Level 2** (ST4-5, 12-24 months) General Paediatrics (12 months), Neonatal Medicine (6 months), Community Paediatrics (6 months)

**Level 3** (ST6-8, 24-36 months) General Paediatrics (with possibility to spend 12 months in a sub-specialty) OR Sub-specialty Training (24-36 months depending on programme).



**There are also other career routes and posts available in paediatrics.**

### Fixed term posts

Fixed Term Specialty Training Appointments (FTSTA) or Locum Appointment for Training (LAT) posts are temporary posts (usually for 1 year) that are approved for training.

### Academic Careers

Some doctors start their career with an Academic Foundation post. Entry into academic paediatrics would usually start with an Academic Clinical Fellowship and may lead to progression to a Clinical Lectureship.

### Career grade posts (non consultant)

Some doctors take up career grade posts such as Clinical Fellow or SASG (Staff and Associate Specialist Grade) rather than continue on the Run Through training programme. Such posts can still contribute towards the entry requirements for the Specialist Register. For further information on these posts please visit the RCPCH website.



*“One attraction to paediatrics for me was the paediatricians.”*



*“The rate at which new discoveries and medical research in paediatrics are advancing far exceeds many other specialties. Research opportunities are vast. Paediatrics is a specialty of the future.”*