

Log of Experience

These forms are for the use of trainees who have successfully completed the fifth year of specialty training and have obtained Part 2 MRCOG. They provide an opportunity to record experiential learning. The clinical skills you select will vary depending upon the interests that you are pursuing during a given clinical attachment and, for this reason, there has been no attempt to provide an exhaustive list. However, if you intend to apply for posts involving general obstetrics and gynaecology you should ensure that you demonstrate continuing proficiency in intrapartum skills and in emergency gynaecological surgery.

It is not possible to be prescriptive about the number of procedures that should be undertaken by each trainee, since rates of learning and clinical opportunities vary considerably. However, it is hoped that you will be able to demonstrate that you have been given increasing responsibility in carrying out the listed procedures over

a period of time. The forms are designed to help to make this explicit.

A new form should be completed for each procedure selected. In each case, you should indicate the level of supervision that was provided, by means of the scoring convention previously used during training:

Space is provided for comments to be made about any particular features of the case, such as the degree of difficulty of procedure or the extent to which the supervisor was involved. This should provide a clearer indication of the level of clinical responsibility than the numerical system alone. It is anticipated that a good trainee will be given increasing responsibility, even although it may not be appropriate to delegate the entire procedure.

Description	Explanation
Observation	Observes the procedure performed by a colleague.
Direct supervision	Performs the entire procedure under direct supervision.
Independent practice	Performs the entire activity without the need for supervision.

