

Entry requirements, skills and interests (AVM)

This page provides useful information about the entry requirements needed for this specialty up to and including [foundation training](#) ^[1]. It also includes information on the skills and interests you will need.

Entry requirements

Prior to starting your specialty training you need to have completed a medical degree followed by the [two-year Foundation Programme](#) ^[2] and then two or three years of core training.

It is useful to get relevant work experience during the Foundation Programme to test out your interest in audiovestibular medicine. Visits to AVM departments could be arranged. Consultants welcome doctors to sit in at clinics to have a taste of what AVM is about. This can be facilitated by contacting the [British Association of Audiovestibular Physicians \(BAAP\)](#). ^[3]

To find information about getting into medical school, visit our [applying for medical school pages](#) ^[4] and find out more about [applying for foundation training](#) ^[5].

Skills and interests

The skills and interests you will need include:

- the ability to reflect on your own practice and a professional approach
- the ability to interact well with patients who may have communication difficulties, emotional problems and long-term conditions
- team skills such as co-operation, negotiation and conflict management
- an interest in keeping up to date in audiovestibular clinical practice and contributing to research and training
- administrative and organisational skills

If you're applying for a role either directly in the NHS or in an organisation that provides NHS services you'll be asked to show how you think the NHS values apply in your everyday work. The same will be true if you're applying for a university course funded by the NHS.

[Find out more about NHS values.](#) ^[6]

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Links

[1] https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/glossary#Foundation_training

[2] <http://www.foundationprogramme.nhs.uk>

[3] <http://www.baap.org.uk/>

[4] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/considering-or-university/studying-medicine/applying-medical-school>

[5] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/i-am/working-health/information-doctors/foundation-training-programme/applying-foundation>

[6] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/about/working-health/nhs-constitution>