

Medical experience elsewhere in the EEA

This page outlines the rules governing training within the EEA, including entitlement to registration in other EEA countries, approved training posts and whether these can count towards [Certificate of Completion of Training](#) ^[1] ([CCT](#) ^[2]).

Any doctor who is a citizen of the EEA or Switzerland, has completed basic medical training, holds a recognisable qualification and has full registration in the country they trained in is automatically entitled to full registration in other EEA countries and Switzerland.

In the UK, completing basic medical training means successfully completing your F1 year. It is at this point you can apply for full registration with the GMC.

How do I apply to train in the EEA?

- ensure you are registered with the GMC or equivalent national body of the country you did your basic medical training in. This needs to be done well in advance of arranging higher-level training abroad
- obtain written confirmation from the relevant body in charge of training in the country you wish to train in
- contact your LETB, the GMC or relevant Royal College to find out about the implications of working abroad, particularly as this may have an impact on the length of your training and eligibility for [CCT](#) ^[2] ([Certificate of Completion of Training](#) ^[1]). Find out about the assessment procedures they use to measure experience abroad
- the GMC recognises training approved by the competent (legally delegated) authorities in other EEA states. Providing you are transferring between posts that comply with European directive requirements, and you have written confirmation that the competent authorities approve these posts, this training can be recognised towards [CCT](#) ^[2]. In this instance you do not need to apply through the GMC. This is applicable to non-EEA nationals as well as EEA nationals. Bear in mind that this is **not applicable to other overseas posts** where approval will have to be granted by the GMC

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

[2] <https://www.healthcareers.nhs.uk/glossary#CCT>