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- **Allergy** ^[1]

Allergists are doctors who treat individuals affected by abnormal immunological responses to substances taken into the body. They provide both active intervention and allergen avoidance for sufferers.

Training and qualifications required

Training usually starts with a five year first degree in medicine. Then there's two years foundation doctor training, two years core training (CT1-CT2), followed by five years specialists training (ST3-ST7). This period of training will include your royal college exams. Length of training can vary according to your circumstances.

Expected working hours and salary range

Doctors may work up to 48 hours a week. The working hours may sometimes extend beyond the normal working day to include early mornings, evenings and weekends, on call unlikely. Pay scales (2017): Consultants earn between £76,761 and £103,490.

Desirable skills and values

This role requires an ability to reflect on your own practice. You'll also be knowledge about self-regulations and control. You'll possess a professional approach, excellent communication skills, team working and leadership skills. An interest in working across the full spectrum of organs and body systems is important. As are good functional abilities such as observation analysis and assessments, manual dexterity, practical and procedural skills.

Prospects

There are 14 consultants in allergy in England in 2016. Opportunities exist for research and teaching.

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