

Regional Representative

Overview

Regional representatives make up a significant component of the ASiT Council and provide a vital local point of contact with ASiT for surgical trainees across all grades and specialties. There are currently 23 regions. Regional representative structure is closely aligned to the Schools of Surgery and postgraduate deaneries.

Geographical Representative Role Allocations

West Midlands
London - Kent, Sussex & Surrey
London – NW Thames
London – SW Thames
Northern Ireland
Oxford
Scotland – Southeast
Scotland – West
Wales
Peninsula
Republic of Ireland x1
Wessex
Yorkshire & Humber- maternity cover

Eligibility

- ASiT Member
- CT1/ST1 - ST8 working within the respective deanery at the start of role term.
- A full appreciation and commitment to upholding the role and responsibilities

Term

- August 2024 - August 2026

Roles and Responsibilities

In addition to compliance with the guidance for all appointed council members, responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Representation

- To act as the single point of contact for all trainees in all grades and surgical specialties within their region.
- To actively seek and report on a bi-monthly basis any surgical training issues across:
 - Speciality Trainees
 - Core and IST Surgical Trainees
 - Foundation trainees
 - Medical Students
- Represent ASiT to both the lower and higher surgical training committees in their region, preferably by direct representation, or otherwise by formal liaison with the trainee representative on that committee ahead of each meeting.

Engagement

- Engage new members within the region and attend and present at core induction.
- Hold an annual meet and greet within the first 3 months of the academic year.
- Lead a Quad-team within each Foundation and Medical School in the region, comprising of:
 - ASiT Regional Representative
 - ASiT Foundation School Ambassador

- ASiT Medical School Ambassador
- Surgical Society President
- Ensure ASiT presence at local medical school annual conferences to deliver ASiT updates, lectures on a career in surgery, and engage new members.

Dissemination and Communication

- To establish and maintain contact with:
 - Deanery Appointed Specialty Trainee Representatives (HST & LST)
 - Trainee Specialty Association Regional Representatives
 - Trainee Mailing List Coordinator for dissemination
 - Trainee WhatsApp groups for dissemination
- Disseminate ASiT communications via deanery mailing lists, trainee WhatsApp groups and social media platforms.
- Promote ASiT conference within their region
- Form initial point of contact for members applying for regional grants
- Supervise ASiT-badged events within the region to ensure that they comply with equality, diversity and inclusion principles.

Education and Training

- Organise at least one local ASiT course per year in their region.

Council Contribution

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT National Research Projects
- Mark allocated committee applications
- Complete conference abstract marking
- Contribute to delivering ASiT Conference

Demission of Role

- If no longer working within the respective Deanery
- Cessation of ASiT Membership > 1 month following reminder
- Upon review at 1 year or following completion of full 2 year role