

Minimally Invasive vasectomy?

TRAINING THE TRAINERS

ASPC GUIDANCE 2020

This guidance covers the selection, training and approval of trainers wishing to teach no scalpel vasectomy to community based providers (trainees).

Criteria for trainers

1. To be eligible to train as ASPC vasectomy trainers the applicant should perform at least 100 no scalpel vasectomy procedures annually to maintain their own expertise and be a member of ASPC.
2. Their service internal audits for clinical outcomes and patient satisfaction surveys should show average or above average results and be entered in the National ASPC Vasectomy Audit.
3. Their own or any premises in which they provide training must be CQC registered and compliant with infection control and health and safety standards.
4. They should possess a recognised teaching qualification with evidence of teaching experience within the past 10 years
5. The training given should comply with the ASPC syllabus and logbook, which is based on those published by the Faculty for Sexual & Reproductive Healthcare of Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists.
6. Once undertaking training they must submit to the ASPC an audit of their training activities based on feedback from trainees to the trainer who approved them to become a trainer.
7. They should accept only trainees meeting the criteria listed below.

Criteria for trainees in MIV

To be eligible to train to do MIV doctors should:

1. Have some surgical qualifications or evidence of sufficient recent or ongoing and audited surgical activity.
2. Have access to CQC approved premises from which to provide their

service.

3. Ideally have a local mentor in secondary care to provide back up and have in place protocols for escalating care in emergencies.
4. Perform strict audit of their service and take part in the ASPC national audit cycle at the ASPC annual conference.
5. Obtain accreditation from their own CCG in vasectomy if delivering a CCG commissioned service.

Selection of doctors to become MIV trainers

Evidence that criteria 1 – 7 have been fulfilled should be submitted electronically to ASPC's Training of Trainers co-ordinators,

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He will respond within 14 days letting you know if you have met ASPC's selection criteria to be a No Scalpel Vasectomy trainer and if so to make arrangements for training.

Delivering The Training For Trainers

Dr Tony Feltbower will visit and train would be trainers on location at their clinics. This enables inspection of premises, equipment and administrative back up. Normally the syllabus and 6 procedures can be completed in a day and the training log signed off. A training fee to be negotiated between the parties and travel costs may be charged.

On completion an ASPC certificate of approval as a trainer will be issued. The new trainer will be able to register as an approved trainer on the ASPC website including biographical details and training arrangements for an administrative fee of £100

Log Book for training to be a trainer.

The doctor assessing the would be trainer must cover the following theory topics and sign off the doctor when satisfied that he/she would be able to teach these to an MIV trainee.

1. Familiarity with FSRH National Guidelines on which ASPC teaching is based.
2. A thorough understanding of valid consent, good record keeping, and how to avoid common medico-legal pitfalls.
3. The content and purpose of pre-operative counselling.
4. The selection of patients for MIV, excluding those in whom it is contraindicated or who should be referred into secondary care.
5. The steps of the procedure and safeguards against complications. Before training starts the candidate should be sent the clinic's information for patients, any templates used, teaching slides or a video, and a mandatory reading list.
6. Handling intra operative complications and admitting to hospital in the event of emergency.
7. Post operative counselling.
8. How to handle post-operative complications.
9. Post vasectomy semen testing.
10. Administrative arrangements (staffing, scheduling, auditing, reporting, post training monitoring).
11. Mentorship arrangements with secondary care
12. CCG accreditation and re-accreditation process.
13. Audit and clinical governance.
14. CPD and attendance at ASPC annual conference
15. Review of significant incidents.
16. Obtaining patient consent to taking part in a training session.

Hands on training skills

These are assessed by the trainer “role-playing” as a trainee or an actual trainee being taught. A minimum of 4 procedures are required. The trainer would be expected to display teaching skills, giving clear instructions and close supervision until the trainee is confident and competent at performing MIV.

Documentation

The training should be documented in the log book, with learning points and progress clearly recorded. Both the trainer and the doctor being trained should sign off the log.

Post Training Support

The trainer should continue to provide reasonable telephone support after the completion of training. New and old trainers and those interested in becoming trainers will have the opportunity to get together and share experiences during the course of the annual ASPC conference and at other study days.