

**VASCULAR SURGERY SST POST EVALUATION**

Trainee Name

Post

Period of Evaluation  / / to  / /

		Rating (1)				
OPEN VASCULAR SURGERY (2)	Aortic	1	2	3	4	5
	Carotid	1	2	3	4	5
	Dialysis Access	1	2	3	4	5
	Other Major Arterial	1	2	3	4	5
	Other Open Surgery	1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post where the case volume and quality of instruction and supervision would permit procedural mastery without prior experience with the specific procedure, so long as basic/generic operative techniques have been mastered previously	A very good post where procedural proficiency can reasonably be obtained without extensive prior experience of the procedure OR a post where extensive experience is available for an already proficient trainee but falls short of exceptional on the basis of case numbers and/or supervision	A good post where case volume provides the opportunity to build technical experience for procedures already learned OR a post that provides more than introduction to the technical aspects of new procedures so that a degree of comfort, but not extensive experience, can be obtained	The post is adequate to maintain currency once initial proficiency has been learned OR a post that provides adequate introduction to the technical aspects of the procedure but comfort/technical proficiency cannot be realistically achieved	Minimal or no cases. Insufficient cases to either maintain proficiency or gain a basic introduction to the procedure

ENDOASCULAR SURGERY (3)	Standard Procedures	1	2	3	4	5
	Advanced Procedures	1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post where the case volume and quality of instruction and supervision would permit procedural mastery without prior experience with the specific procedure, so long as basic/generic operative techniques have been mastered previously	A very good post where procedural proficiency can reasonably be obtained without extensive prior experience of the procedure OR a post where extensive experience is available for an already proficient trainee but falls short of exceptional on the basis of case numbers and/or supervision	A good post where case volume provides the opportunity to build technical experience for procedures already learned OR a post that provides more than introduction to the technical aspects of new procedures so that a degree of comfort, but not extensive experience, can be obtained	The post is adequate to maintain currency once initial proficiency has been learned OR a post that provides adequate introduction to the technical aspects of the procedure but comfort/technical proficiency cannot be realistically achieved	Minimal or no cases. Insufficient cases to either maintain proficiency or gain a basic introduction to the procedure

ULTRASOUND & VASCULAR LABORATORY		1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post where the case volume and case mix, quality of instruction and supervision, and hands-on experience would permit mastery of all aspects of non-invasive vascular diagnostics without prior experience, so long as the underlying basic principles have been mastered previously	A very good post where proficiency can reasonably be obtained without extensive prior experience OR a post where extensive experience is available for an already proficient trainee but falls short of exceptional on the basis of case numbers, supervision and/or hands-on experience	A good post where case volume provides the opportunity to build experience in non-invasive vascular diagnostics OR a post that provides more than introduction to the technical aspects of the vascular lab so that a degree of comfort, but not extensive experience, can be obtained	The post is adequate to maintain currency once initial proficiency has been learned OR a post that provides adequate introduction to most aspects of non-invasive vascular diagnostics but has a major deficiency in case mix, supervision and/or hands-on experience	Minimal or no experience obtained. Insufficient cases or access to either maintain proficiency or gain a basic introduction to the vascular lab

OUTPATIENT CLINICS & EMERGENCIES		1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post where the case volume and case mix, quality of instruction and supervision, and hands-on experience would permit mastery of all aspects of the initial management of vascular surgery conditions without prior experience, so long as the underlying basic principles have been mastered previously	A very good post where proficiency with the initial management of vascular surgery conditions can reasonably be obtained without extensive prior experience OR a post where extensive experience is available for an already proficient trainee but falls short of exceptional on the basis of case numbers, supervision and/or hands-on experience	A good post where case volume provides the opportunity to build experience in the initial management of vascular surgery conditions OR a post that provides more than an introduction to the initial management of vascular surgery conditions so that a degree of comfort, but not extensive experience, can be obtained	The post is adequate to maintain currency once initial proficiency has been learned OR a post that provides adequate introduction to most aspects of the initial management of vascular surgery conditions but has a major deficiency in access to outpatient clinical experience	Minimal or no outpatient clinical experience. Inadequate overall

FORMAL TEACHING & STUDY		1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post with a formalized teaching program, motivated tutors and ample time for personal study. The ideal post for lead-up to the fellowship examination	A very good post where formal teaching and time for personal study are available but falls short of exceptional on the basis of patchy teaching program and /or conflicting activities	A good post where there is adequate time for personal study and opportunity for informal teaching, but a formal teaching program is absent	An adequate post. A limited amount of teaching and time for personal study is available due to an overly busy unit schedule or limited availability of tutors	Minimal or no teaching due to indifferent or unavailable tutors OR Extremely busy unit schedule with no or minimal time for personal study. Inadequate post prior to fellowship examination with trainee almost guaranteed to fail.

SUPERVISION & GUIDANCE		1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post with ever-present but unobtrusive supervision, formal and informal performance review and a supportive environment	A very good post where supervision is always available while trainee autonomy permits decision making following appropriate consultation, but falls short of exceptional	A very good post where supervision is always available while trainee autonomy permits decision making following appropriate consultation, but falls short of very good	The post is adequate but supervision is patchy at times and/or guidance can be overly prescriptive stifling independent decision making opportunities	Minimal or no supervision. Guidance is unavailable when sought. Patients are at risk

OVERALL IMPRESSION		1	2	3	4	5
		An exceptional post that would be highly sought after by all trainees for its exceptional experience in multiple areas of Vascular Surgery practice	A very good post that would be highly sought after by many trainees for its high quality broad experience OR specific skill-sets that are difficult to obtain elsewhere	A good post overall such that similar posts for most of the training period would provide proficiency in the breadth of Vascular Surgery practice	An adequate post overall but similar posts for the whole training period would leave significant gaps in key areas such that proficiency in the breadth of Vascular Surgery practice would be questionable	The post has multiple and significant deficiencies. Review of the post's appropriateness for Vascular Surgery Training should be initiated by the Board

Notes

- (1) Qualitative rather than quantitative measures have been chosen rate selected aspects of each post.
- (2) Elective AAA Repair and Carotid Endarterectomy are the two vascular procedures to which ACHS Clinical Indicators are attached. Aortic and carotid open cases have been segregated in order to reflect experience gained with these procedures.
- (3) Standard Endovascular procedures: arterial puncture, diagnostic imaging, peripheral angioplasty & stenting, standard stent-grafts. Advanced procedures: carotid/renal stenting, mesenteric interventions, branched stent-grafts.

Other Comments

Trainee's Signature

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