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Backfill funding granted for CESR training secondments in Palliative Medicine subspecialties

Jill's Background

I qualified as a GP in 2008. After that time I wanted to work in Palliative Medicine and continued as a locum GP whilst working as a Specialty Doctor in Palliative Medicine. I then moved completely into Palliative Medicine in 2010.

SAS Development Fund

After working in Palliative Medicine for about eight or nine years, I began exploring options to achieve CCT in Palliative Medicine. From 2017 to 2022 I worked with the SAS Development team who were able to support me through the process of CESR (which has since become Portfolio Pathway to Specialist Registration). I was granted funding for training blocks and several secondments which allowed backfill funding for the organisation I worked for. This included six months of Acute Medicine, Paediatric Palliative Medicine, Hospice Secondments, Oncology, Acute Pain and Chronic Pain.

In 2022 I achieved CCT in Palliative Medicine and shortly after that I started in post as a Consultant in Palliative Medicine at Ayrshire Hospice. I predominately currently work in the community setting. This would not have been possible for me without the support from NHS GG&C SAS Education Advisers, the SAS Development team and the availability of SAS Development funding.

