

BAOMS Educational Activity Report

Location:

University of Nottingham Medical School Careers Day/Fair

Date:

6th March 2018

Organiser:

Miss Nabeela Ahmed(Fellow in Training) & Mr Iain McVicar (Council Member)

Attendees:

Final year medical students at the University of Nottingham who have sat their finals exams (and are awaiting results)

This event was aimed at final year medical students who have sat their finals exams. They are given a series of talks about the various specialities in medicine and surgery to provide some support and taste of what getting involved as a trainee would entail.

The event was a a mandatory event arranged by the medical school for all final year medical students to attend, and our involvement was a stand at the careers fair, which all specialities were invited to attend (but not all do/did).

Unfortunately, it fell on a day where there was a lot of unexpected and heavy snow and attendance was certainly down on previous years when we have both attended. However, our profile compared to previous years was commented on, both because of the use of the BAOMS banner we took along and the BAOMS 'logo stamped' chocolate and vanilla cupcakes we had taken along (to entice/reward attendees to our stand).

We wish to thank BAOMS for supporting this event with the use of the BAOMS banner and finances. Whilst we cannot quantify the numbers in terms of interest, as a smaller speciality this was a superb event to raise our profile not only to those students interested in our speciality, but to others (both at a trainee level and to other consultants) who had attended on behalf of their respective specialities. There are a number of former University of Nottingham medical students who are currently in the system whose interest was stimulated whilst at University of Nottingham (because of the raised profile of our speciality here) and we wish to continue building on this interest. Events such as this are superb opportunities to do so.