Liverpool Second Degree Workshop 29 September 2021

For the 10 consecutive year Liverpool ran a Second Degree Workshop, but for the first time this was hybrid with delegates in the room in Aintree and on-line.

The biggest news was from Andrew Schache, who leads for OMFS candidates with University of Liverpool, who reassured delegates that although there were no graduate entry places in 2022 there would be 2-3 places for a shortened course on the 5 year programme.

Following Andrew Schache's talk, Patrick Magennis talked about the key principles in applying for second degree places and the value of the BAOMS Mentoring and Support Programme (MSP). He encouraged everyone interested in OMFS to Register Their Interest in OMFS via the BAOMS website www.baoms.org.uk

Anne Begley, OMFS Training Programme Director (TPD) talked about her role in the MSP and also outlined how the new OMFS Curriculum supported documentation of OMFS training during second degree though ISCP (the fees for which are supported by BAOMS for MSP members). She spent some time talking about the great opportunities for female surgeons in OMFS, stressing it was a family friendly career and the number of female trainees was on the rise.

Finally, there was an excellent Q&A when the 20 or so folk on line (including some Liverpool medical/dental second degree students) exchanged ideas with the delegates in the room. Only the delegates in the room were able to take advantage of the excellent pizzas provided by BAOMS.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to BAOMS for supporting the event and a plan to run something similar next year.

Andrew Schache, Anne Begley, Patrick Magennis Consultants OMFS in Aintree