A career in paediatrics
Paediatrics is:

- Intellectually challenging and rewarding
- A family orientated specialty
- Forward looking in the way it is has embraced flexible training and working
- To be an advocate for infants and children
Broad scope

• Not just

but also

• Huge range of hospital sub specialities

• Community jobs
What skills do paediatricians need?

• Be a good communicator who enjoys working with children, young people and their families
• Emotional resilience, patience and sensitivity
• Teamwork
• Clinical skills
Work life balance in Wessex

- 7 hospitals relatively close together
- Coupled training ST1 – 7
- Part time working
- Friendly approachable colleagues
- Rota’s EWTD compliant
Opportunities within paediatrics

- Overseas
- Research
- Leadership & Management
Medical School
Normally 5 years at university studying medicine.

Foundation Years (FY1 & FY2)
2 years of basic general medical training with exposure to a range of different specialities. At this point you start to earn a wage.

Choose your speciality
This is where you would select paediatrics as your speciality. Now see Level 1.

LEVEL 1 PAEDIATRICS

Year 1 (ST1) Year 2 (ST2) Year 3 (ST3)
These three years form the basic training in paediatrics, ensuring you have the basic knowledge and skills. You are assessed by the MRCPCH * examination and assessments within the hospital or other workplace setting. Now see Level 2.

ST: Speciality Training
* Membership exam for the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health

LEVEL 2 PAEDIATRICS

Year 4 (ST4) Year 5 (ST5)
These 2 years form the basis of higher specialist training in paediatrics. Trainees enhance their knowledge and skills and gain competencies in three particular areas – neonates, community child health and acute paediatrics. Assessed in your workplace. Now see Level 3.

LEVEL 3 PAEDIATRICS

Year 6 (ST6) Year 7 (ST7) Year 8 (ST8)
During these 3 years trainees deepen and strengthen their skills in general paediatrics or specialise in one of the paediatric sub specialities (see list of specialties).

Consultant