


GP Training in Spain

based on “New Vocational Specialty Training for
General Practice – program 2005”
Ministry of Health

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Basic description:

- ▶ 4 years based program
 - ▶ Initial wide contact with General Practice, at least 3 months.
 - ▶ Variable time period spent every year in General Practice.
 - ▶ At least 50% time spent in General Practice:
 - Rural
 - Urban
 - ▶ Rest of the time: In-Hospital practice, rotating in different specialties.
 - ▶ On-call stages and OOH.
 - ▶ Educational activities
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5 areas of competence:

▶ Essential competencies:

- Communication: clinical interview, GP–patient relationship.
- scientific reasoning: decision making, patient–based method.
- Clinical management: working team, practice management, quality improvement, GP Information Systems, Civil responsibility
- bioethics.

▶ Management of individuals.

▶ Family Medicine.

▶ Managing the practice population.

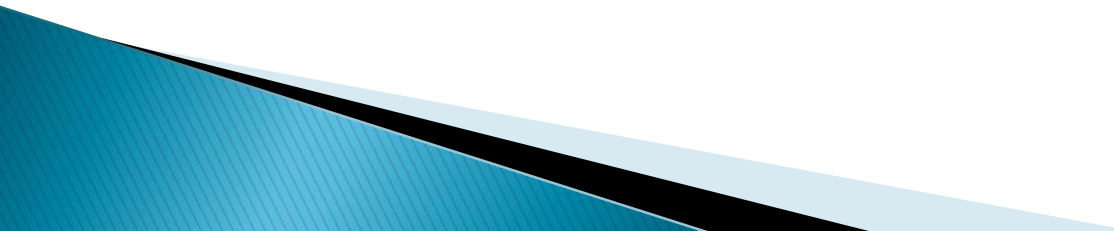
▶ Educational & professional development . Research.

Program characteristics:

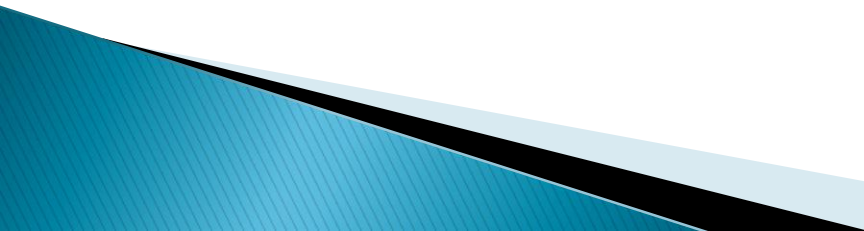
- ▶ Closely related to the Family doctor's professional profile
- ▶ Flexible program: different ways of learning and assessment:
 - Self directed learning
 - Learning in context -DOPs and mini-CEX
 - Formative assessment
 - Classes: presential courses
 - Small group learning
 - Workshops
- ▶ Importance of the supervisor-trainee relationship: you have a personal supervisor who monitors your progress during the 4 years (always a General Practitioner).

And during each rotation you'll have another supervisor who will monitor and assess your competencies.

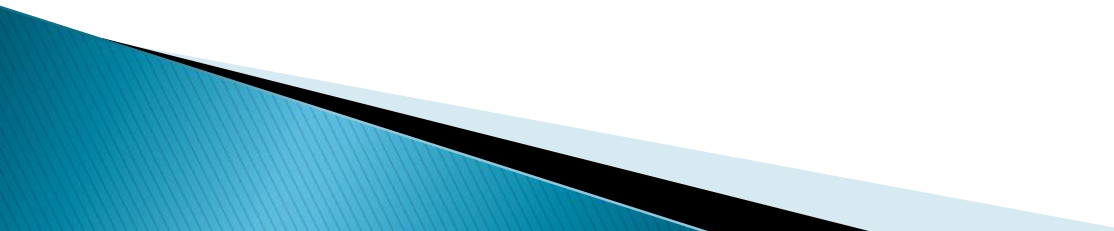
1st year:

- ▶ 3–6 months in General Practice (at the beginning)
 - ▶ General Internal Medicine and specialties: 5–8 months
 - ▶ Emergency Medicine (on-call & OOH).
 - ▶ 1 month holiday leave.
 - ▶ Classes / workshops / small group learning / self-direct learning
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2nd and 3rd years:

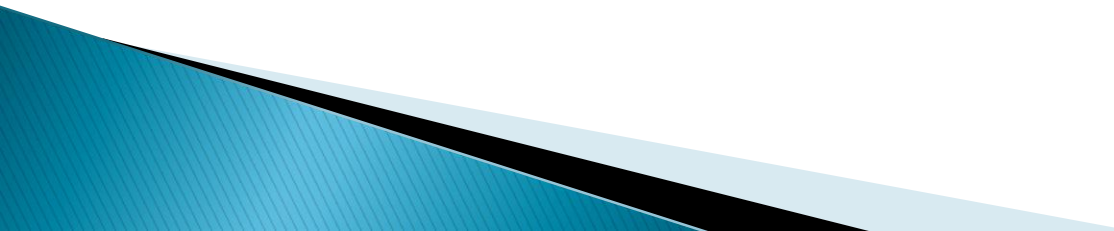
- ▶ 8 months: rotating between General Internal Medicine and Surgery (different medical and surgical specialties).
 - ▶ 2 months: Paediatrics (Primary Care Child Health and Paeds A&E)
 - ▶ 3 months: Women's Health.
 - ▶ 3 months: Mental Health.
 - ▶ 3 months: in a rural GP Practice (2nd year).
 - ▶ Emergency Medicine (on-call & OOH)
 - ▶ Classes / workshops / small group learning (includes Research Methods)
 - ▶ 3 months: elective placement. (at the end of the 3rd year)
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4th year:

- ▶ It is compulsory to spend the whole 4 year in a GP Practice.
 - ▶ On-Call and OOH: both in A&E and Primary C.
 - ▶ Research project.
 - ▶ Classes / workshops / small group learning.
 - ▶ 1 month holiday leave.
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Some workshops

▶ Non-clinical:

- Practice management
 - Health Education
 - Health sociology
 - Biostatistics, epidemiology, prevention and health promotion.
 - Methodology in Family medicine and practice population management.
 - Bioethics
 - IT.
 - Home-based care of patients.
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Some workshops:

Recommendations: 300 hours

▶ Clinical:

- Emergencies
 - Minor Surgery
 - Immobilisations
 - ENT
 - Ophthalmology
 - Basic Radiology
 - Mental health
 - Management of population risk groups: gender violence, elderly, immigrants, teenagers...
 - Palliative care.
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On-call and out-of-hours (OOH)

Between 3 and 5 shifts per month. Each one lasts 17 hours (working days) or 24 hours (Saturday or Sunday).

The distribution depends on the training year you are.



On-call and out-of-hours (OOH)

- ▶ 1st year:
 - 25% in Primary Care,
 - 75% Hospital (Internal medicine A&E)
- ▶ 2nd & 3rd years:
 - 25% Primary Care,
 - 37,5% Internal medicine A&E,
 - 12,5% Paediatrics, 4,5% G&O,
 - 12,5% Traumatology,
 - 8% other medical / surgical specialties (ENT, ophthalmology...)
- ▶ 4th year:
 - 75% Primary Care,
 - 25% Internal medicine A&E