# Scientist Training Programme (STP)

# Independent Assessment of Clinical Competence (IACC) 2023

Please ensure you have read all of the IACC 2023 requirements for the IACC 2023 submission and guidance on the National School of Healthcare Science (NSHCS) website before submitting your critical reflective narrative.

## Candidate declaration

I affirm in submitting my narrative, that it is wholly my own work and the supporting evidence that I am citing has been generated by me during the course of my training and signed off by an approved and assigned professional.

I confirm that I have read, understood and adhere to the current [HCPC Standards of Proficiency for Clinical Scientists](https://www.hcpc-uk.org/standards/standards-of-proficiency/clinical-scientists/) and the [HCPC Standards of conduct, performance and ethics](https://www.hcpc-uk.org/standards/standards-of-conduct-performance-and-ethics/) and that they guide my current practice as a trainee on the Scientist Training Programme.

I accept that cheating, collusion and plagiarism are instances of academic and professional misconduct. I understand that if I am found to have engaged in academic or professional misconduct in the production of this narrative, its supporting evidence or during the interview, the NSHCS will report my misconduct to the HCPC and other relevant statutory or professional bodies.

### Your ‘trainee number and name’ below act as your signature

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| Specialty: |  |
| STP Trainee ID number: |  |
| Trainee name: |  |
| Word count - excluding citations:  (<=3500 +/-10%) |  |

### Resubmissions - if you are resubmitting an updated narrative

Please indicate which sections of your narrative you have updated with an X in the table below.

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## Saving and submitting

Your reflective narrative must be saved using this template as a Microsoft Word docx file.

The filename must comprise your STP trainee ID number and your surname. If you are registered in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland your STP trainee ID will start with a letter, i.e., W, S or NI respectively all other trainee ID numbers will be a string of digits (most commonly 9 digits if you have registered in England).

Your narrative must be submitted by the deadline as notified on the [key dates for IACC 2023](https://nshcs.hee.nhs.uk/programmes/stp/trainees/key-dates-for-stp-2023-final-assessment/) page of the School website.

The mechanism for submitting your work will be forwarded to your email address registered with the NSHCS at least 1 week before the submission deadline. **Please ensure that your registered contact details are correct and current.**

## Candidate critical self-reflective narrative

Please provide your critical reflective narrative explaining how your development as a Clinical Scientist demonstrates your readiness to transition into practice in each of the 5 domains of the [Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice (GSP) guide](http://www.ahcs.ac.uk/wpfd_file/ahcs-good-scientific-practice-2021/).

You may choose and emphasise the elements of the domains that you consider to be most relevant to central aspects of your role. Your self-advocacy must acknowledge the current scope of your practice.

As a Clinical Scientist, you will be more than the sum of your parts. In the last section, your global statement, please provide a summary of how you intend to use the insights and new perspectives gained from your critical reflections to transition into practice as a patient-focused and safe, newly qualified, threshold entry Clinical Scientist on your entry to the workplace as a registered professional.

Please familiarise yourself with the qualitative aspects of your critical reflective narrative described in the marking and feedback rubric that the assessors will draw on in assessing your readiness to practise. You can download the assessment criteria.

**The word limit is 3,500 words (+/- 10%) excluding citations to OneFile e-portfolio evidence.**

### GSP 1: Professional Practice

Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice - pages 6 to 10.

### GSP 2: Scientific Practice

Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice - pages 11 to 13.

### GSP 3: Clinical Practice

Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice - pages 14 to 16.

### GSP 4: Research, Development and Innovation

Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice - pages 16 to 18.

### GSP 5: Clinical Leadership

Academy of Healthcare Science (2021) Good Scientific Practice - pages 18 to 19.

### Global Statement

Please provide a summary of how you intend to use the insights and new perspectives gained from your critical reflections to transition into practise as a safe, patient focused newly qualified threshold entry Clinical Scientist.

## Appendix 1 – Training Plan

If appropriate and relevant you may choose to include a SMART plan detailing your ongoing and planned training covering the period between the submission of your reflective narrative and the end of your training. You can use a copy of your actual training plan.