

Newsletter 2024-2025



Clearing House for Postgraduate Courses in Clinical Psychology

A year in numbers....

We had 6,120 people apply for the 2025 intake to clinical psychology training: an increase of 5.6% on last year. Of these 5,910 people applied for NHS places and 283 people applied for self-funded places (including 73 people who applied for both types of places).

There were 1,179 NHS places for the 2025 intake. This compares with 1,164 places last year, and gives a success rate of 20%.

702 people took advantage of the discounted fee we offer to those applying by mid-October. And another 378 people took advantage of the option we offer to split their fee across 2 monthly payments.

Completion and employment rates for trainees

At the continued request of the clinical psychology programmes, we provide a central point for collecting data on training completion rates and employment of graduates.

The national non-completion rate for NHS trainees for the academic year 2023/2024 was only 0.5%, which includes all forms of non-completion. This is in line with the rates for the previous 10 years which were between 0.4% and 1.0% each year.

For people completing NHS training in 2024, of those who returned data 90.5% were employed as a clinical psychologist (or an equivalent post) within 12 months of graduating. Although this is slightly lower than the rates for the previous 10 years, which were between 92.0% and 97.0%, there continues to be a very healthy post-graduation employment rate. 5.2% of those who returned data were taking a career break, and 4.3% were seeking relevant employment.

Of those working as clinical psychologists (or an equivalent post) 96.8% were working in the NHS or in other public sector funded posts. This is in line with the rates for the previous 10 years which were between 93.6% and 98.7%.

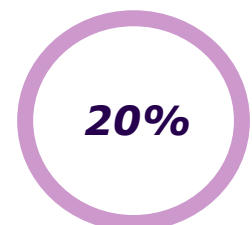
Applicants for NHS Places



NHS Places



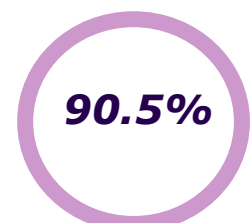
Success rate



Non-Completion rate



Clinical Psychologists



Keeping our website on top form!

Updates you've seen during this year...

Launched 2024 to 2025

During 2024-2025 we launched the following updates to our website, in response to feedback from the full range of our users:

- ⇒ We launched a major update to add course-specific questions, so course staff could specify the long-text questions they wished to ask and applicants were only spending time on answering those questions.
- ⇒ We made some changes to the layout of the work experience screen of the application, so applicants found it easier to proof-read their responses.
- ⇒ We tidied up some minor on-screen clutter that people had reported as distracting, for the benefit of all users.

...and updates that are coming your way

Work we've done this summer

We've recently completed the following work on our website, so users will see the benefit of these items in the coming months:

- ⇒ We've been doing some background work to maintain and improve the overall speed and performance of the site for all users.
- ⇒ We've made some improvements to the automated onscreen messages for applicants.
- ⇒ We've worked on some improvements to data downloads, as requested by users at the courses.
- ⇒ We've updated the categories used in equal opportunities monitoring. See the next page for more details on this.

***Categories
updated***

Equal opportunities monitoring - review

We have updated the categories used in equal opportunities monitoring this summer, to bring them up-to-date.

This follows a review process conducted over a previous application cycle. Thank you to everyone who provided comments as part of that review.

Some categories now being used in the 2025-2026 application cycle will therefore differ from those in the data sets provided on our website from previous years.

Please [see the Equal opportunities section of our website](#) for more information.

***Managing
costs for
everyone***

Fees held for 2025

Our Board of Management spend time each year discussing the rates of our fees. We are aware that any consideration of the fees charged to applicants is sensitive, given both the important context of widening and increasing access to the profession of clinical psychology, and the cost of living.

We are pleased to announce our fees are unchanged this year.

Everyone who applies in 2025 will pay the same fee as last year.

⇒ The main fee is £35.00

⇒ The discounted fee for early application is £20.00

We also offer the option to pay the full fee in two instalments. This allows applicants to spread the costs and choose to pay when it is more convenient for them.



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We work with 30 clinical psychology courses around the UK.

We provide an easy-to-use application system. We do not make decisions about who is successful at each stage of the selection process: this is done by the courses, but we wish you the best of luck!

We provide a central point of information. Each course provides details about their programme, which we publish on our website.

We are based at the University of Leeds and we are a non-profit educational charity (registered number 1200735), funded solely by the fees paid to us by applicants and courses.

Oak tree, Headingley, Leeds

