

Newsletter 2025-2026



Clearing House for Postgraduate Courses in
Clinical Psychology

A year in numbers....

We had 6,452 people apply for the 2026 intake to clinical psychology training: an increase of 5.4% on last year. Of these 6,236 people applied for NHS places and 276 people applied for self-funded places (including 60 people who applied for both types of places).

There were 1,133 NHS places for the 2026 intake. This compares with 1,179 places last year, and gives a success rate of 18%.

855 people took advantage of the discounted fee we offer to those applying by mid-October. And another 410 people took advantage of the option we offer to split their fee across 2 monthly payments.

Completion rate for trainees

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

The national non-completion rate for NHS trainees for the academic year 2024/2025 was only 0.3%, which includes all forms of non-completion. This is slightly lower than the rates for the previous 10 years which were between 0.4% and 0.9% each year.

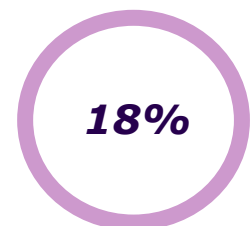
Applicants for NHS Places



NHS Places



Success rate



Non-Completion rate



**...including
First
Destination
Survey for
graduates**

Research project launched this year...

Work is underway on the research programme commissioned by the Clearing House and led by King's College London to analyse Clearing House data to better understand clinical psychology training and workforce outcomes.

Current work includes:

- ⇒ Cleaning, managing, and preparing Clearing House data from 2022 to 2025 to support future evaluation and research projects.
- ⇒ Collecting responses to the First Destination Survey to understand early career outcomes and status through accreditation in specialist therapy pathways (e.g. BABCP and AFT/AFSP) status among DClinPsy graduates.
- ⇒ Convening an advisory group to provide strategic advice on research priorities, dissemination, and implementation of findings.

The First Destination Survey has been circulated to course administrators and programme leadership for distribution to graduates. We would be grateful for your support in promoting participation to help ensure the data are as representative as possible.

We look forward to sharing emerging findings and project updates over the coming months. Stay tuned!

Fees held for 2026

Our Board of Management spend time each year discussing the rates of our fees. We are aware that any consideration of the fees paid by 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 2026 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's more convenient for them.

**Managing
costs for
everyone**

Keeping our website on top form!

Updates you've seen during this year...

Launched 2025 to 2026

During 2025-2026 we launched the following updates to our website, in response to feedback from the full range of our users:

- ⇒ Following a review process involving a range of users, we updated the categories used in the equal opportunities monitoring, to bring them up-to-date.
- ⇒ We did some background work to maintain and improve the overall speed and performance of the site, for all users.
- ⇒ We made some improvements to the automated onscreen messages for applicants.
- ⇒ We made some improvements to the data downloads, as requested by users at the courses.

...and updates that are coming your way

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

Work we've done this summer

- ⇒ We're adding some questions about NHS funding to the University Qualifications section, to help clarify eligibility for NHS funding for clinical psychology training.
- ⇒ We're amending the questions nominees are asked in the Suitability Statements, as requested by users at the courses.
- ⇒ We're improving the look of the Suitability Statement pdf download for users nominated to write the statements.
- ⇒ We're improving the look of some of the questions on the application screens, to make things clearer for applicants when they're answering.



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We work with 30 clinical psychology courses around the country.

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.

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