

e-Learning Paediatric Surgery is a joint initiative started in January 2010 by the British Association of Paediatric Surgeons (BAPS) and DH e-Learning for Healthcare, to provide access to the paediatric surgical knowledge required by a number of health professionals:

- The knowledge needed by specialist paediatric surgical trainees following the Intercollegiate Surgical Curriculum Project (ISCP) to take trainees from ST3 to the level of their Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT) and meet the requirements of the Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Board. The essential knowledge and pre-course materials for BAPS approved and other relevant courses will be provided.
- The general paediatric surgical knowledge needed by the large cohort of junior surgical trainees, as mapped to foundation and core curricula. This will be provided in conjunction with the e-Surgery project.
- The knowledge needed by the many consultant and trainee adult general surgeons working in DGHs, who also practice in the general surgery of childhood. This area is important since there is a national crisis in the provision of these surgical services in many DGHs.
- The generic knowledge needed by all surgeons working with children. This will be prepared in conjunction with other e-LfH projects whose trainees manage children.
- The knowledge in our field of specific benefit for General Practitioners. This is a small area of knowledge mostly related to inguinal and umbilical hernias, hydroceles, undescended testes and common foreskin conditions. This aspect of the project aims to reduce the large number of inappropriate referrals of normal foreskins and self resolving umbilical hernias and to make both timely and accurate referrals of inguinal hernias and undescended testes.
- The knowledge required by others specialists, particularly neonatal surgical nurses and allied professions, for which BAPS has the expertise.

The project will also help consultant trainers save time and ultimately provide a mechanism for their own continuing professional development and revalidation.

Further information is available via the BAPS website at www.baps.org.uk