

# Horus ePortfolio update for foundation doctors in England – April 2017

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## Summary

- From August 2017 (FP2017) all foundation doctors (FDs) in England will use the Horus ePortfolio
- The Horus ePortfolio was developed in the north west of England and has been used for the medical foundation programme (FP) there since 2008.
- Since August 2016 (FP2016) the project team have been working to prepare the Horus ePortfolio technically for national use and to prepare users for the change from the NHS Education for Scotland (NES) ePortfolio.

## Update on progress August 2016 to March 2017

- Development work on adding Health Education England (HEE) locations and increasing system flexibility and capacity
- National FP Curriculum Delivery Group review and rationalisation of all e-portfolio forms
- National training plan launched – local e-portfolio leads from HEE local offices and local education provider (LEP) postgraduate centres trained across the country by national Horus team
  - Local leads to cascade training to colleagues and FDs
- Format of access to historic HEE foundation data in NES ePortfolio confirmed and development work in progress
- Horus support site commissioned

## Plans for August 2017

- May-July 2017
  - Local Horus ePortfolio training events
  - Horus support site launched
  - Final technical updates to Horus
  - New users granted access to Horus
  - New users granted access to HEE archive foundation data interface
- August 2017
  - All foundation users within HEE will have access to and be using Horus

## How will this affect you?

### FDs completing FP by August 2017

- If you are due to complete foundation by August 2017 (not in the north west of England)
  - From August 2017 the way you access your foundation training records currently held in the NES ePortfolio will change.

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- We have published a [document](#) explaining what will happen next and what you need to do – note that you do not need to do anything until you have received your ARCP outcome form (and sign-off certificate if appropriate).
- If you are due to complete foundation by August 2017 in the north west of England
  - From August 2017 the way you access your foundation training records currently held in the Horus ePortfolio will change slightly – you will be able to access your records through the FP2017 version of Horus.
  - Further information will be published in due course.

### FDs not completing FP by August 2017

- If you are not due to complete foundation by August 2017 (not currently in the north west of England)
  - You will use the NES ePortfolio until August 2017 and then move over to Horus.
  - From August 2017 the way you access your foundation training records currently held in the NES ePortfolio will change.
  - We have published a [document](#) explaining what will happen next and what you need to do – note that you do not need to do anything until you have received your ARCP outcome form/the end of July (whichever is earlier).
- If you are not due to complete foundation by August 2017 and are currently in the north west of England
  - You will use the FP2016 version of Horus until August 2017 and then move over to the FP2017 version.
  - From August 2017 the way you access your foundation training records currently held in the Horus ePortfolio will change slightly – you will be able to access your records through the FP2017 version of Horus.
  - Further information will be published in due course.

### What can you do to help?

- Attend a local Horus ePortfolio training session
- Keep up to date with Horus ePortfolio developments through our newsletters, our [Horus ePortfolio webpage](#) and the Horus support site (once launched)
- Give us regular feedback on the information we're providing and whether there is anything further you need by speaking to your local Foundation Doctor Advisory Board (FDAB) representative, your LEP postgraduate team or your local foundation school team.

### Queries

If you have any queries or suggestions about the move to Horus, please contact your LEP postgraduate team or your local foundation school team in the first instance.

### Glossary

Acronym	Meaning
FD	Foundation doctor
FDAB	Foundation Doctor Advisory Board
FP	Foundation programme (medical)
FP2016	Foundation programme training year starting in August 2016 and finishing in August 2017
FP2017	Foundation programme training year starting in August 2017 and finishing in August 2018
HEE	Health Education England
LEP	Local education provider
NES	NHS Education for Scotland (e-portfolio provider)