**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LETTER OF COMPETENCE INTRAUTERINE TECHNIQUES (LoC IUT)**

### Successful applicants must:

* Be registered with a UK or Irish medical professional regulatory body and have a license to practice if that is required by your regulator.

**Requirements:**

* Have the experience and skill to conduct a competent clinical consultation.
* Be up-to-date with resuscitation and anaphylaxis training and ensure that this is maintained for the duration of training (training must be recognised by the UK Resuscitation Council).
* Be competent in giving an intramuscular injection.
* Have read the current FSRH guidance on intrauterine contraception.
* Be up to date with Levels 1-3 safeguarding children and young people and ensure that level 3 is maintained throughout training.
* Be competent in undertaking a speculum examination.
* Be able to confirm, at the time of application for your FSRH qualification, that you have read the 6 principles of care as outlined in the [“Guidance for those undertaking or recertifying FSRH qualifications whose personal beliefs conflict with the provision of abortion or any method of contraception”](https://www.fsrh.org/documents/guidance-for-those-undertaking-or-recertifying-fsrh/) and agree to abide by them in practice. It is, therefore, important to have read this document prior to commencing training.

**You must complete all of the following prior to your application:**

1. As part of the new requirements, you are now required to complete the FSRH Contraceptive Counselling Online Course unless you have the DFSRH /MFSRH.
2. This course takes about 2 hours to complete. It is a free course and can be accessed at any time. You can access this course by the link below:

<https://www.fsrh.org/education-and-training/fsrh-contraceptive-counselling-online-course>

1. **Module 15** of the e-SRH, which is hosted on the e-LfH website of commencing your LoC IUT training.

This is an e-learning package, free to NHS professionals, which contains interactive learning modules on various topics. Each module lasts around 20 minutes.

For access you will need to register with [e-Learning for Healthcare (e-LfH)](https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/).

Click view button at top right hand corner of [e-Learning for Healthcare website](https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/) to see a list of all modules and you will need to login first in order to be able to see contents of the modules.

This e-SRH is free to anyone holding an nhs.net email address.

1. [**Online Theory Assessment (OTA)**](http://www.fsrh.org/documents/online-theory-assessment-guide)**which has replaced the previous eKA (the electronic knowledge assessment). Please see further information below regarding this.**

***A pass in the eKA or OTA is required as a pre-requisite to our FSRH Letters of Competence including our LoC SDI-IR and LoC IUT. You can access the OTA by registering or logging into your FSRH account***

Do I need to take the OTA?

* If you hold a current **FSRH Diploma**, **MFSRH** or **FFSRH**, you will not be required to take the OTA.
* If you have previously passed the eKA as part of another qualification which has been awarded within five years of starting the new qualification, you will not be required to take the OTA.
* If you have previously passed the eKA (without achieving another FSRH qualification) within two years of starting the new qualification, you will not be required to take the OTA.

**Experienced Practitioners Pathway:**

You may apply for this Letter of Competence via the Experienced Practitioner Route:

* If your initial Letter of Competence (LoC) qualification was not registered with or awarded by FSRH
* If you attained a local LoC certification and now wish to register or recertify it with FSRH
* If you have not recertified FSRH LoC for more than 10 years, but have been fitting/removing implants for last 12 months

For all above scenarios, you may be eligible to undertake a shortened pathway which takes into account past clinical experience. The FSRH’s General Training Committee requires that, in order to obtain FSRH certification, this training would need to be completed.

The General Training Committee is unable to offer exemptions to its published criteria. However, experienced practitioners can complete a shortened pathway in respect to the clinical component but all other parts of the programme, included the OTA pass, would need to be completed.

Further information can be found at [www.fsrh.org](http://www.fsrh.org) under the Education and Training Link.