

THE STIF COMPETENCY PROGRAMME

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The STIF *Competency* Programme is a nationally recognised training and assessment qualification in sexual health. It is a modular competency-based training and assessment package for non-specialist and specialist healthcare professionals requiring skills development to manage people with sexually transmitted infections.

STIF *Fundamental* Competency

This is an OSCE style, half day assessment assessing the competence of health professionals who wish to deliver Level 1 sexual health services. *STIFFundamental* is primarily aimed at those who deliver asymptomatic STI care and onward referral. The assessment can take place following a STIF Foundation course or as a standalone event. For more information about the assessment visit: www.STIF.org.uk/stif_fundamental.

STIF *Intermediate* Competency

Having attended the STIF Foundation Core day you can register on the *STIFIntermediate* Competency Training and Assessment programme. This is a work place based training package to train and assess the competence of healthcare professionals to manage patients in primary and secondary care presenting with symptomatic sexually transmitted infections. It involves intensive and tailored one-to-one clinical training and assessment (using workplace based assessments) by specialists within a sexual health clinic setting. For more detailed information about the competencies assessed and how to register visit: www.STIF.org.uk/stif_intermediate

STIF *Advanced* Competency

STIFAdvanced Competency is designed for Specialist Sexual Health nurses who are working towards independent practice and *have already successfully completed* *STIFIntermediate* Competencies. The training and assessment is structured as a clinical attachment within a Level 3 sexual health service and comprises a minimum of 50 clinical sessions including a log book and reflective writing, formal assessment of competence every 4-6 weeks using assessment tools (mini-CEX forms and case-based discussion) and completion of an audit. It is also suitable for SAS doctors working in GU Medicine but who do not wish to take the DipGUM exam. For more detailed information about the competencies to be assessed and how to register visit: www.STIF.org.uk/stif_advanced

STIF *Integrated* Competency

STIFIntegrated Competency Training and Assessment provides a streamlined, cost-effective and fit-for-purpose training pathway in the new era of integrated sexual health provision. It builds on *STIFIntermediate* with additional work place assessments in contraceptive care. *STIFIntegrated* can be completed at the same time as *STIFIntermediate* or can follow on from successful *STIFIntermediate* Competency certification. *STIFIntegrated* is not a standalone contraceptive qualification. For more detailed information about the competencies to be assessed and how to register visit: http://www.STIF.org.uk/stif_integrated

STIF *Sexual Health Advising* Competency

STIF Health Advising Competency is a comprehensive training and assessment package for health advisors and nurses with health advising roles. The training has been developed in collaboration with a team of expert Health Advisors. It is a standalone module, however, those who have already completed *STIFIntermediate* will be exempt from repeating the competencies that overlap. Visit www.stif.org.uk/stif_sha