

# Guidelines for Hospitals in the FRANZCOG Training Program: Ultrasound Training

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## Introduction: trainee requirements for Ultrasound Training

Basic trainees must complete 23 ultrasound training sessions in the first 92 weeks of training. The 23 sessions must cover the recommended ultrasound training including transabdominal and vaginal scanning in both early and late pregnancy.

Ultrasound training sessions are defined as follows:

- direct 'in room' supervision by a practitioner with a special interest in ultrasound scanning, such as a Fellow, an Advanced Trainee, a Radiologist or a Sonographer
- in an ultrasound department or ultrasound practice
- direct hands-on scanning by the trainee
- sessions of at least 3 (three) uninterrupted hours duration.

As a minimum, Basic trainee logbooks at the end of the first 92 weeks of training should reflect:

- 25 x 1st trimester vaginal scans
- 25 x 3rd trimester growth scans including Doppler.

## Hospital requirements

Basic trainees at tertiary and home base hospitals must be allocated to dedicated ultrasound training sessions as described above.

Each Year 2 Basic trainee that has not already completed this mandatory requirement must be allocated to a minimum of 12 such sessions per 23 weeks of training (or sufficient sessions until they have completed the requirement).

Suburban and rural sites are encouraged to offer ultrasound training opportunities wherever possible.

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