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UK Stroke Forum 2026

The UK's largest multidisciplinary
conference for stroke care professionals

When: **2 - 4 December**

Where: **ACC Liverpool**

STROKE FORUM

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British & Irish Association
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Registration is OPEN

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TRAINEES' MEETING 2027

Assembly Buildings Conference Centre, Belfast

18th - 19th March

External CPD Approval



Save the Date, 18-19 March 2027

[CLICK HERE](#) for Information and to Register

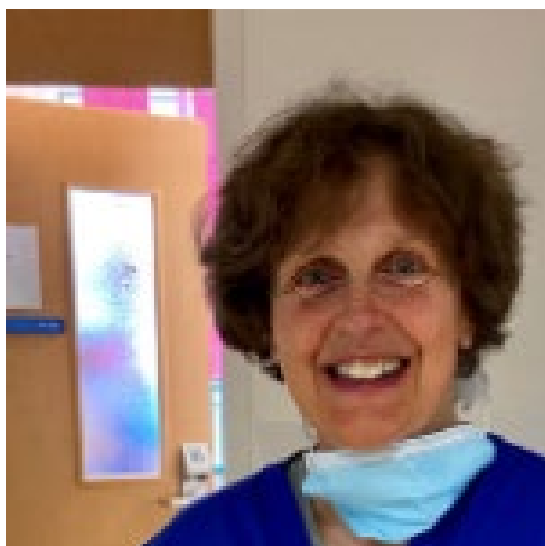
Call for Abstracts

Closing date 15 January 2027

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

September 2026

BIASP Exec Message



Prof Liz Warburton
BIASP President-elect

Dear all

This month the 'start of term' feeling is likely amplified by quite a welcome change in the weather - at least for some of us! It's a relief to go onto the ward without the incessant noise of the fans and portable air con units and to be able to let the daylight in through the windows. I suspect most CCU's are air conditioned; this debate is difficult on a larger climate change level ...but for our patients (and staff) we should be arguing our HASU's should be fitted out too. Beth Davies and I would be interested to know if any of you are working in air-conditioned HASU's.

I usually find this month is good for mapping out CPD activities for the academic year ahead and deciding where the external CPD points are going to come from. There are of course various media options, but a face-to-face meeting provides dedicated time away from the day to day. Study leave budgets are now nowhere near enough to cover costs of conferences and so funding something needs factoring in.

I feel I'm off to a great start this time having attended the recent Stroke Research Workshop in Manchester; a 2-day meeting, 10 CPD points, relatively low cost and many top-quality talks.

Many congratulations to Dr Nick Evans (Cambridge) who gave the first Pippa Tyrrell lecture. Nick presented his work on carotid imaging and showed lots of interesting data on frailty in stroke.

It was inspiring to see so many young clinical and non-clinical researchers presenting their work and also to chat to many BIASP colleagues who had made it. Talks from international speakers - all clinically focussed - were particularly useful. As an appraiser I often find a good question to ask colleagues is 'where do you see your speciality going in the next 5 years?' This meeting would provide a good basis on which to answer that for stroke!

I'm delighted to report that David Werring is taking over as Chair of the Stroke Research Workshop Committee from Hugh Markus - who has done so much to develop this meeting.

The conference dinner was at the Royal Northern College of Music , below are some photos including one of a rather forbidding sculpture of Chopin!

The next Stroke Research Workshop is at Imperial in London , 15/16th September 2027 - hope to see you there!

With all good wishes,

Liz



Dr Nick Evans

Prof David Werring
attending the delegate
dinner

Sculpture of Chopin in the
Royal Northern College of
Music, dinner venue

Pippa Tyrrell Lecture
Winner

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Trainee Subcommittee Update



Dr David McShane
Trainee Subcommittee chair

I'm delighted to be starting this term as BIASP Trainee Chair and to welcome Dr Viveka Biswas as our new Trainee Vice Chair.

This year, our focus is on strengthening the trainee network, continuing high-quality educational opportunities, and supporting interest in stroke medicine across the UK and Ireland.

I'm pleased to highlight two upcoming events that will help take this work forward.

**BIASP Trainees Meeting 2027 — Belfast,
18–19 March 2027**

**IMT Career Day in Stroke — 10 October
2026**

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more

Looking Ahead

As Trainee Chair, I hope to support a welcoming trainee community where colleagues feel able to share ideas, learn from one another, and stay connected across the UK and Ireland. These events are an important part of that, and I look forward to meeting many of you over the year ahead.

Stay tuned for further updates through BIASP communications as we continue building a strong year for stroke trainees.

David McShane
ST7 Geriatric / Stroke and General Internal Medicine
Trainee Chair, BIASP

Executive Committee Vacant Post Call for Nominations

BIASP wish to announce the call for nominations is **OPEN** for the Republic of Ireland
Executive Lead on the Executive Committee.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

[CLICK HERE](#) for the nomination form

Closing Date is midnight 30 September 2026

BIASP Sustainability Subcommittee New Members

The **BIASP Sustainability Subcommittee** continue to encourage new members to help drive our work on **environmental sustainability in stroke care and in BIASP's own activities**.

We welcome applications from **full, associate, affiliate, and medical student members** of BIASP.



You do not need to be a senior clinician or a sustainability expert – enthusiasm and willingness to contribute are most important, and the work is well suited to **students, trainees, and allied health professionals**.

Current priorities include:

- Supporting **sustainable BIASP meetings and events** (e.g. travel guidance, plant-based catering, UKSF and the Trainees' Meeting)
- Updating and implementing BIASP's **sustainability policy** and carbon-footprint work
- Developing **educational and promotional materials** (web content, blogs, short videos/slides) on sustainability and stroke

To apply, please email admin@biasp.org with a brief statement (150 - 200 words) on why you are interested and what you would like to work on.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the application form

If you are not yet a BIASP member, you can **join first**; membership is usually approved within a couple of weeks.

[CLICK HERE](#) to join BIASP

BIASP Membership Promotion

We are keen to expand BIASP membership and raise our profile among stroke teams across the across the UK and Ireland. Your support in helping us reach potential new members would be greatly appreciated.

We would be grateful if you could share this with colleagues working in stroke services - ideally by printing out locally and displaying on your unit.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer which can printed locally in either A4 or A3 format

BIASP President's Award 2026 - OPEN



Who do you believe should be nominated for the BIASP annual President's Award?

Nominations Open **1 August 2026**
Nominations Close Midnight
30 September 2026

[CLICK HERE](#) for information
[CLICK HERE](#) for the nomination form

BIASP Writing Group Award 2026 - OPEN

BIASP Writing Group Application Call 2026 Award is OPEN
Closing date, 09:00 Friday 30 October 2026

We are very pleased to announce the British and Irish Association of Stroke Physicians (BIASP) call to doctors, nurses and allied health professionals to establish writing groups to design studies that for the NIHR RDN Stroke portfolio.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information
[CLICK HERE](#) for the application form

BIASP Local Clinical Research Investigator Award 2026 - OPEN

OPEN for Applications

The Local Clinical Research Investigator Award by the British and Irish Association of Stroke Physicians (BIASP) acknowledges and rewards the exceptional contributions made by stroke physicians in stroke research. This award aims to recognise the value of grassroots research efforts and encourage the continued involvement of local practitioners in advancing the knowledge and treatment of stroke.

The prize includes a certificate of recognition and free registration for UKSF to support the recipient's continued research efforts.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information
Closing date 09:00 30 September 2026

BIASP Medical Student Essay Prize 2026

The Training & Education Chair and subcommittee reviewed the **95** entries received this year.
Here are the **Highly Commended** entries:

[Emma-Marie Martins](#)

[Hasanah Sivardeen](#)

Click on the each name to read their essay



BIASP & NANSIG Medical Student Stroke Summer Bursaries 2026



Following interviews and scoring the 4 successful students for 2026 were:

Ben MacFarlane - Innovating AF Screening After Transient Ischaemic Attack: Point-of-Care NT-proBNP and Wearable ECG Patches. [Click Here](#) to read the report

Hannah George - Investigate how embolisation to new vascular territories (ENT) occurs during thrombectomy. [Click Here](#) to read the report

Jonathan Markus - Prevalence of clinician and patient reported outcomes after stroke in young adults: a systematic review and meta-analysis. [Click Here](#) to read the report

Sam Millward - Investigating the Links between Systemic Frailty and Brain Frailty in Acute Ischaemic Stroke. [Click Here](#) to read the report

BIASP Social Media

BIASP are on BlueSky! We'd love for you to join us there & keep up to date with the latest BIASP & stroke-related news!

The BIASP BlueSky handle is @biasp.org
Here is the link to the profile: <https://bsky.app/profile/biasp.org>

BIASP Careers Page - FAQ's



Considering a career in stroke?

BIASP have produced a response to FAQs to guide you in your career choice.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information on:

Why should I consider career in stroke?

How do I become a stroke physician?

Who can apply for stroke sub-specialty training?

What does a typical training pathway look like for a stroke physician?

Careers for stroke physicians

Specialty and specialist doctors (SAS) career information

In October 2024 BIASP and NANSIG collaborated to run a half day webinar on

Stroke Careers: Shaping the Stroke Clinicians of the Future

[CLICK HERE](#) to view

BIASP Half Day Careers Webinar for IMT's



The flyer features a light blue and white background with a subtle pattern of overlapping circles. At the top right is the BIASP logo, which consists of a colorful speech bubble shape with the text 'BIASP' inside, followed by 'British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians' and 'Advancing stroke medicine' in smaller text. The main title 'BIASP CAREERS WEBINAR' is in large, bold, blue letters, followed by 'FOR INTERNAL MEDICINE TRAINEES' and 'FOCUSING ON STROKE AS A CAREER' in bold, purple letters. Below the title is a short paragraph: 'We are pleased to launch the first careers webinar for internal Medical Trainees focusing on Stroke as a Career.' To the right of this paragraph is an illustration of five healthcare professionals (three men and two women) in white coats, standing and talking. Below the title and paragraph is a large purple rounded rectangle containing event details: 'SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2026' with a calendar icon, 'FREE REGISTRATION' with a person icon, '09:30 - 13:15' with a clock icon, and 'ONLINE' with a speaker icon. To the right of this purple box is a blue button that says 'REGISTER NOW' and a large yellow QR code. At the bottom of the flyer is a dark purple bar with three social media links: 'biasp.org' with a globe icon, '@BIASPstroke' with a butterfly icon, and the LinkedIn logo with the text 'British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians'.

BIASP CAREERS WEBINAR
FOR INTERNAL MEDICINE TRAINEES
FOCUSING ON STROKE AS A CAREER

We are pleased to launch the first careers webinar for internal Medical Trainees focusing on Stroke as a Career.

SATURDAY, 10 OCTOBER 2026
FREE REGISTRATION
09:30 - 13:15
ONLINE

REGISTER NOW

biasp.org | [@BIASPstroke](https://twitter.com/BIASPstroke) | [British & Irish Association of Stroke Physicians](https://www.linkedin.com/company/biasp/)

Join BIASP for a free, interactive half-day online careers event on Saturday **10 October**, designed for **Internal Medicine Trainees** interested in stroke. The programme includes consultant and registrar panels exploring why they chose stroke, what the work is really like, and how to build a sustainable career in the specialty, with plenty of time for Q&A.

Registration is free via the online flyer, which includes the QR code, and places are open to IMTs from all deaneries.

Saturday 10 October 2026
09:30 - 13:15
Online - Registration is FREE

[CLICK HERE](#) for the Flyer
[CLICK HERE](#) to Register

UK & ROI Acute Stroke Simulation Course



UK and ROI Acute Stroke Simulation Course

Feedback from participants continues to be extremely positive. One recent attendee commented:

"I thought this was wonderful. It has been massively helpful to me and improved my perspective and confidence. This kind of multidisciplinary course, with participants at varying levels of seniority, is exactly what's needed to develop emergency and on-call stroke skills. I was very nervous beforehand as I wasn't sure what to expect, but that wasn't necessary at all. The faculty were incredibly welcoming and skilled at facilitating feedback and discussion — you would think they had been delivering this course for years. Thank you to them all."

2026 course dates, information and registration links are on the website.

For 2027 course dates are OPEN for registration

[CLICK HERE](#)

The course is multidisciplinary and open to anyone involved in acute stroke care.

We are also keen to support centres interested in delivering the course locally. If you would like to observe a course or become involved, please contact us at

ukstrokesimulation@gmail.com.

Finally, we are currently seeking regional representatives for the following areas and would welcome expressions of interest:

- East of England
- London
- North West of England

- Northern Ireland
- Scotland



Is your member profile up to date?



You can now access the new and enhanced BIASP membership system. This allows us to know and understand our membership better to tailor the benefits we can deliver.

Please check and update your details, ticking all options which are relevant to you, particularly any other organisations you may also be a member of.

With regards to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion please do complete these fields within your profile.

This will only take a few minutes.

[CLICK HERE](#) to login to the members area.

Member Benefits & Discounts

Benefit for Associate members moving to Full membership

We value your support as a member of BIASP and would like to offer **20% discount** for the first year of Full membership.

Benefit for Current and New Members - LTFT 20% Discount

This benefit is for members who work less than full time, if you work 8 PAs or less, when membership is due for renewal or when a new member joins.



Current members should send in their job plan to admin@biasp.org at least one month before their renewal date.

The 20% discount will be applied upon review of the job plan.

Other Association discounts available for BIASP Members

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information





ASSOCIATION
OF BRITISH
NEUROLOGISTS

NEW Reciprocal 20% Membership
Discount from 1 Feb 2025

Use code **BIASP20**
[CLICK HERE](#) for information, fees and to
join

Types of membership applicable to BIASP members are:

- Affiliate members (if a consultant or GP)
- Junior member (if a junior hospital doctor)
- Allied Health Professional membership (if a nurse, physician associate or other allied health professional)
- Ordinary and Associate membership are for Neurologists only

BIASP Mentorship Programme



**We are now going live with the new BIASP mentorship scheme.
CPD approved, 3 points**

Many of you have volunteered to become mentors, or have requested to become a
Mentee.

As part of this scheme we have developed online training materials which may be of

interest also to those of you who have not yet volunteered to Mentor, and are free of charge for all members to complete. CPD points on completion of mentor training.

If you already have experience of being a mentor and/or have completed an equivalent course, and wish to become a BIASP mentor, then please email admin@biasp.org to register your interest

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer
[CLICK HERE](#) to access the training materials

Are you interested in being mentored?

We are also looking for mentees to participate in this programme. This opportunity is open to those enrolled in early specialty training, including IMT3, in a stroke parent specialty.

Register your interest by completing the form via the link [HERE](#)

Research Updates & Opportunities



If you have any research opportunities you would like us to promote please email admin@biasp.org

Updates

Articles

This month we provide an update on the **ENRICH-AF** trial (<https://clinicaltrials.gov/study/NCT03950076>) which was presented recently at the European Society of Cardiology congress 2026. It is yet to be published.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report from Dr Neshika Samarasekera

Research

NIHR Research Delivery Training

Many clinicians generously support study enrolment and delivery during their routine work, sometimes acting as local principal investigators. But did you know that there are a range of NIHR learning opportunities to help develop an understanding of research design and processes?



[CLICK HERE](#) to read more

SILENCE-BRITAIN

SILENCE will recruit from stroke, cognitive services, neurology and elderly care across 50 UK centres. It is one of a family of harmonised trials around the world, creating the first, large trial aiming to prevent both stroke and vascular dementia.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

Webinars

[Wednesday 30 September @ 1pm](#)

[Thursday 8 October @1pm](#)

EASE - Evaluating Antidepressants for Emotionalism after Stroke

EASE is a national clinical trial, evaluating the safety, effectiveness and cost effectiveness of sertraline to treat post stroke emotionalism in the UK NHS.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer
[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

NIHR's flagship '[Be Part of Research](#)' campaign

Share your study with thousands of research-ready volunteers

The NIHR Be Part of Research service has over 600,000 research-ready volunteers waiting to take part in research studies. Our free online service matches volunteers to health and care studies taking place across the UK.

The service supports a broad range of research - from lifestyle questionnaires to clinical trials - taking place at local hospitals, GP surgeries, in care or community settings or at home.

Be Part of Research can identify suitable volunteers for your study through a wide range of data including age, ethnic group, sex, location and condition. We can help you find potential participants quickly and effectively - accelerating study recruitment.

Take the hard work out of your recruitment and [add your study to the Be Part of Research service](#)

Surveys

Hospital Medics: How do you keep up to date?

We know that keeping up with the volume and frequency of clinical guideline updates, particularly for generalist work, is a huge task. But there is very little data on how doctors are practically managing this alongside a busy clinical workload. We want to change the system to make it **easier for doctors** to provide **up-to-date care for patients** – but first we need to understand how doctors currently find out about new guidelines. We've designed a research study to investigate, and we need your input!

We're recruiting **UK-based hospital doctors of any grade who do any work in general and/or acute internal medicine** (including the medical take or medical ward cover). We will arrange a 30-45 minute online interview at your convenience, to share your insights and experiences. We know that time is precious and this is a big ask! If you could consider sparing the time, it would be so valuable to fully understand your perspective.

As a thank you, all participants who book an interview by **31st October 2026** will be entered into a prize draw to receive a £250 John Lewis voucher.

[CLICK HERE](#) to find out more and book an interview.

HELP US IMPROVE SLEEP AFTER STROKE

We're looking to adapt a non-pharmacological sleep intervention for people affected by stroke

WHO CAN TAKE PART
Healthcare professionals working with individuals affected by stroke

WHAT'S INVOLVED
Complete an online survey of approx. 20mins or take part in an interview

WHY PARTICIPATE
Support the design better post-stroke sleep needs

CONTACT
maria.gardani@ed.ac.uk or satu.baylan@ed.ac.uk

Sleep after stroke, Poster_Professionals, 12 Jan 2026, V1.0

We are currently looking for healthcare professionals who work with people affected by stroke to contribute their expertise.

Sleep problems are common after stroke and can have a significant impact on recovery, wellbeing and quality of life. Yet there is still a need for accessible, evidence-based, non-pharmacological sleep support that is tailored specifically to people affected by stroke.

Closing Date, 1 December 2026

As part of our research at **The University of Edinburgh**, supported by **@Royal Society of Edinburgh**, we are working to adapt a non-pharmacological sleep intervention for people affected by stroke.

Participation involves either:

Completing a short online survey (approximately 20 minutes), or

Taking part in an interview.

Your experience could help us understand what works in practice and ensure that the intervention we develop is relevant, feasible and responsive to the needs of stroke survivors.

Interested in taking part? [CLICK HERE](#)

We would also be very grateful if colleagues could **share this post with healthcare professionals working in stroke care or rehabilitation.**

Help Shape the Oral History of Stroke Medicine

As the **European Stroke Organisation** approaches its 20th anniversary, we are looking back at the people, ideas and innovations that have shaped modern stroke medicine. As part of *Architects of Modern Stroke Care: An Oral History of Innovation, Leadership, and System Transformation in Global Stroke Medicine*, we invite you to share your perspective: Which inventions have transformed stroke medicine? Who are the key figures who have shaped the field?

[CLICK HERE](#) for the survey

ESO Educational Needs Survey

Help us shape the future educational opportunities in stroke care and research for professionals working in the field!

As we continue to strengthen our educational activities, we encourage all ESO members to take part in the ESO Educational Needs Survey. Your input is essential in helping us better understand priorities and learning preferences across our community, ensuring that we continue to deliver relevant, high-quality educational opportunities in stroke care and research.

The survey will take 5 minutes to complete, and your responses will be used to improve current activities and develop new opportunities for all.

For any inquiries or questions, please reach out directly to esoinfo@eso-stroke.org

[CLICK HERE](#) for the survey

Multinational Survey on Diagnostic and Treatment Challenges in CAA

This survey is being conducted with the support of the European Stroke Organisation, as part of the Emerging Stroke Leader Programme. The survey aims to identify common challenges and barriers that healthcare professionals encounter in diagnosing cerebral amyloid angiopathy (CAA).

[CLICK HERE](#) to complete the survey

Anosognosia After Stroke - Study Recruitment Support

 Calling all stroke clinicians and researchers!

I am now recruiting participants for my thesis research as part of my Doctorate in Clinical Psychology with The University of Exeter.

The study will explore how anosognosia after stroke is conceptualised and assessed in clinical practice and research.

If you have experience working with stroke patients or have published stroke-related research, I'd love to hear from you!

 Participate in 3 short online questionnaire rounds (20–30 mins each)

♥ £5 will be donated to The Stroke Association for each person who completes all 3 rounds

Your expertise will help shape future clinical assessment and intervention in the field long-term.

Scan the QR code on the poster, [CLICK HERE](#)

Georgia Williams

Trainee Clinical Psychologist
University of Exeter | Somerset Foundation Trust

Funding

The Stroke Association - Research Funding Opportunities

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information



NIHR Local Authority Academic Fellowship Programme and Associated Opportunities

New opportunities from NIHR for people working in local authorities, social care setting and 3rd sector. There are a range of funding opportunities from short placement up to PhD and advanced.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

Cardiovascular Disease Modern Service Framework (CVD MSF)

The **Cardiovascular Disease Modern Service Framework (CVD MSF)** has been published on GOV.UK and can be found [HERE](#)

The framework marks an important step in supporting the Government's ambition to reduce premature mortality from heart disease and stroke by a quarter within a decade. It sets out a clear direction for how the health and care system should accelerate progress on this ambition. This includes

1. identifying 12 priority actions that should be prioritised now to drive measurable improvements in outcomes and tackle inequalities, and
2. outlining a longer-term vision alongside challenge areas where further progress is needed.

As the first in a series of modern service frameworks, this represents a significant milestone. The MSF is intended to be dynamic and evolving, and we will continue to value your oversight, insight and challenge as implementation progresses.

This will be fundamental in driving the changes needed on the ground and realising our shared ambition to reduce premature mortality from heart disease and stroke by 25% over the next 10 years.

UK Health Alliance on Climate Change (UKHACC)

UKHACC bulletin update on the following:

- Extreme Heat Continues to Impact NHS Services
- Sustainable Food and Healthcare
- Education Opportunity
- Resources

[CLICK HERE](#) to read more

Free UK Health Alliance on Climate Change webinar

12 October 2026 (12:30-14:00)

Exploring sustainable catering within healthcare organisations and practical approaches to implementation

[CLICK HERE](#) to register

European Stroke Organisation (ESO)

NEW: Stroke Insights Brings Clear, Trusted Stroke Research to Survivors, Carers and Families

Stroke Insights is a new initiative from the [European Stroke Organisation \(ESO\)](#) and [SHINE Global Stroke Collaboration](#), bringing the latest stroke research to life through clear, trusted and practical information for stroke survivors, carers and families. The platform also offers shareable, plain-language resources designed to make stroke science more accessible and easier to use in everyday life.

Learn more at: www.strokeinsights.org.

European Stroke Journal Young Reviewer Programme is now open for applications, Application deadline: 1 October 2026, [CLICK HERE](#) for information

The **14th ESO ESMINT ESNR Stroke Winter School** takes place 2-5 February 2027 in Berne, Switzerland, applications close 30 September 2026
[CLICK HERE](#) for information

New Voice of Stroke Podcast Episode: Redrawing the Limits of Thrombectomy

Dose, damage, delay – new research explores the boundaries of endovascular thrombectomy

In this episode of ***Voice of Stroke***, three recent studies examining patient selection and treatment intensity at the margins of thrombectomy practice are explored

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and to listen to the Podcast

Neurological Alliance



THE NEUROLOGICAL ALLIANCE

The Neurological Alliance, of which BIASP is a member, has recently done a survey of the needs of people with a range of neurological diagnoses. There were over 200 people with either TIA or stroke who responded. Pain, problems with movement, fatigue, mood problems, sleep, memory, sexual function and vision were all common. These responses are consistent with other studies that have reported the long-term needs of people after stroke, and demonstrates the importance of life after stroke as an area for service development and research.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the findings of the **My Neuro Survey** for adults and carers (including people caring for children) in England in a policy report

BIASP are a member of the Neurological alliance, which has been very busy campaigning for patients with neurological problems including stroke.

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the website

The UK Neuro Forum is being established following the #BackThe1in6 campaign, which was supported by 19,000 people and 100 organisations, including BIASP. The forum is proof that when we work together, we can achieve real change.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about this landmark initiative

Together with over 30 leading organisations, we're calling for urgent action to fix the neuro workforce crisis and make it fit for the future.

Ahead of the **10-Year Workforce Plan**, we have endorsed The Neurological Alliance's consensus statement.

The statement brings together professional bodies and national health charities with a united call to strengthen the clinical neuroscience workforce. It sets out solutions to today's challenges and actions needed to secure a workforce fit for the future. Crucially,

expanding the workforce is essential to improve services, care and outcomes for people with neurological conditions.

Learn more here: www.neural.org.uk/workforce

A Vision for Neuro Neighbourhood Health

This report sets out why neurological conditions must explicitly be included in the government's neighbourhood health programme and an achievable model of coordinated specialist care closer to home for people affected by neurological conditions. Now we're calling for action from government to make that happen.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the report



Different Strokes



Different Strokes have new services and events coming up in the next few weeks

Recently redesigned and developed children's resources FREE to order for survivors and healthcare professionals, [CLICK HERE](#)

Different Strokes Charity for younger stroke survivors have a series of webinars every fortnight to engage with beneficiaries and health care professionals.

Webinars are accessible for all to see, [CLICK HERE](#)

Bursary fund for private physiotherapy and rehabilitation, [CLICK HERE](#)

'Rehab Reset'

Exercise sessions are now all online; here are over 100 stroke-specific exercise videos designed to help stroke survivors at every stage of recovery.

They are suitable for all ability levels, from seated exercises to advanced strength training, and have been developed by stroke professionals and survivors.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information

The Stroke Association - New Stroke Support Pack for Hospitals



New Stroke Support Pack for hospitals

Created with stroke survivors and health professionals, the new pack consists of a 'hello' folder, handy wallet sized card, and two health information guides - one for people who have had a stroke, and one for the people supporting them. The Stroke Association is encouraging those working in hospitals in the UK to [order the packs](#) (free of charge) and give them out before discharge.

[CLICK HERE](#) for the full order link

Stroke Association, Saving Brains Campaign



Thrombectomy saves brains, saves money and changes lives. It's one of the most effective medical interventions ever discovered. But most people who need this treatment don't get it. It's subject to availability.

Find out about the Stroke Association's campaign across the UK nations by clicking on the report for each nation:

Saving Brains in [England](#)

Saving Brains in [Northern Ireland](#)

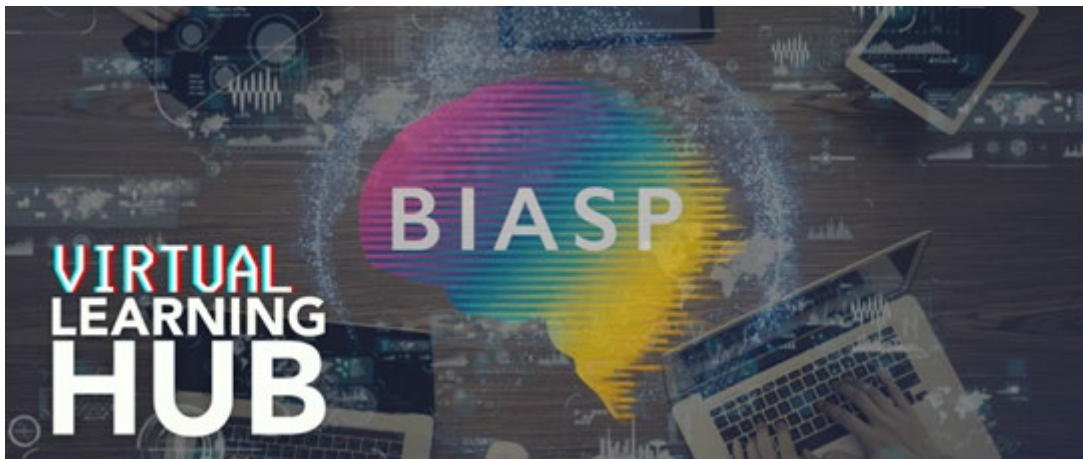
Saving Brains in [Scotland](#)

Saving Brains in [Wales](#), [Welsh version](#)

Thrombectomy in Republic of Ireland:

[Republic of Ireland](#)--the National Stroke Strategy 2020-2025 Endovascular thrombectomy p.27

Virtual Learning Hub



BIASP are hosting monthly 1-hour webinar sessions with the opportunity to ask the presenters questions at the end of each session. The live webinars will also be uploaded to the Virtual Learning Hub in the BIASP Members-only section for you to watch any time afterwards.

Each webinar is **free** to attend, you must register in advance for each live session. A certificate will be issued for those who attend more than 75% of the session, and complete a short evaluation that appears on the screen directly after the session.

Click [HERE](#) to view past webinars on the BIASP Virtual Learning Hub.

BIASP Webinar 50

Topic: Migraine for the stroke physician - a mimic at the front door and TIA clinic - challenges in diagnosis, management strategies and update

Date: 14/10/2026

Time: 17:30 - 18:30

Speaker: Dheeraj Kalladka

[CLICK HERE](#) to Register

Dates for your diary, further details will follow:

Upcoming Webinars

Webinar 51: 25/11/2026, Addressing the Post-Stroke painful shoulder,
Celine Lakra (BSPRM)

Webinar 52: 27/01/2027, Stroke Medicine: Service Delivery and Quality Improvement –
the Essentials, Martin James

Webinar 53: 24/02/2027, Psychology Interventions Post Stroke, Dominic Round

Webinar 54: 24/03/2027, Understanding Cranial Vascular Malformations - current
approach and evidence based recommendations - tips from Neurosurgical Team to the
Stroke Physician, Benjamin Fisher

Education

Clinical Neuroscience: Stroke MSc at UCL

The course provides a comprehensive education and research training for the next
generation of researchers and clinical providers of expert stroke care.

Applications are closed for 2026

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your interest for 2027



Neurotorium, Neurobehavioral Consequences of Stroke (NBCS) is now online

Five educational slide decks have been published (the 6th deck, stroke syndromes, is
being developed at the moment), illustrations, an article on post-stroke language
impairments, and the educational expert videos are available, [CLICK HERE](#)

These educational materials are free

Events

Upcoming events will be listed here in future, if you have an event you wish to promote please contact admin@biasp.org



UKSF 2026

Date(s): 2-4 December 2026

Location: Convention Centre, Liverpool

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and the programme

Registration is OPEN

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BIASP Member discount code is: **BIASP10**

Stroke Neuroimaging Course

Date(s): 13 October, 08:30 - 1700

Location: Regus, Victoria Way, Dartford

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer and to register

Delivered by an expert faculty of **Consultant Neuroradiologists** and **Consultant Stroke Physicians**.

This highly interactive course includes:

- Focused lectures on key stroke imaging topics
- Case-based review sessions using individual laptops with PACS access
- Real-world imaging interpretation practice guided by specialists

The course is designed for:

- **Doctors:** Consultants and trainees in Stroke Medicine, Neurology, Acute Medicine, Geriatric Medicine, and resident doctors working in stroke units
- **Nurses:** Clinical Nurse Specialists , Stroke ACP, Stroke Assessors working in, or preparing to join in Hyperacute Stroke Units

SBNS100 Anniversary Meeting

Date(s): 16 - 18 October 2026

Location: QEII Conference Centre, London

[CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer

All-Island Stroke Conference 2026

Date(s): 16 October 2026

Location: Croke Park Convention Centre,
Dublin

[CLICK HERE](#) for the programme and to
register





18th World Stroke Congress

Date(s): 21-23 October 2026

Location: Seoul, Korea

[CLICK HERE](#) for information
[CLICK HERE](#) to view the Scientific
Programme

Stroke Emergency Essentials Educational Event 2026

Date(s): 5 November 2026

Location: Newcastle University Catalyst Innovation Centre

[CLICK HERE](#) for the programme
[CLICK HERE](#) to complete the form to register your place

17th Edition of the Essential Neuro MRI Course

Date(s): 14 November 2026

Location: Liverpool Medical Institution (LMI), Liverpool.

[CLICK HERE](#) for information and to register
[CLICK HERE](#) for the programme

European Life After Stroke Forum

Date(s): 8-9 March 2027

Location: Krakow

[CLICK HERE](#) for Information

Abstract are **Open**

[CLICK HERE](#)



Save the Date, 18-19 March 2027

[CLICK HERE](#) for Information and to Register

Call for Abstracts

Closing date 15 January 2027

[CLICK HERE](#) for information

ESOC 2027

Date(s): 19 -21 May 2027

Location: Vienna, Austria

Registration opens 2 November 2026

Abstract Submission Autumn 2026

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Career Opportunities

BIASP lists NHS jobs on their website free of charge, to list your advert contact admin@biasp.org

Here are the latest adverts for NHS stroke jobs. Click below for further information.

[Senior Clinical Fellow in Stroke](#), Bristol, closes 2 October

[Consultant in Geriatric Medicine/Stroke Medicine](#), Manchester, closes 5 October

[Senior Clinical Fellow - Stroke](#), Romford, closes 6 October

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine and HfOP](#), Exeter, closes 7 October

[Consultant in Healthcare for Older People and Stroke Medicine](#), Barnstaple, closes 7 October

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Swansea, closes 12 October

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Carlisle, closes 14 October

[Locum Stroke Consultant](#), Plymouth, closes 17 October

[Consultant \(Stroke\) Physician](#), Lancaster, closes 21 October

[Consultant in Stroke Medicine](#), Lincoln, closes 22 October

[Consultant Physician in Stroke Medicine](#), Newport Isle of Wight, closes 28 October

HEE Podcast

New podcast - Health Education England (HEE) releases podcast discussing stroke careers

The HEE Stroke Careers Podcast series takes an in depth look into stroke medicine careers including real life experiences, the career pathway and how we deliver care across the country.

This episode is jointly hosted by Dr Deborah Lowe, National Clinical Director for Stroke Medicine at NHS England and Dr Jon Cooper, Stroke Consultant in Yorkshire and the Humber and Postgraduate Dean at Health Education England. They discuss their career pathways, the benefits of a career in stroke, and opportunities for the future workforce.

[CLICK HERE](#) to listen to this podcast.

If you would like to learn more about Health Education England's work around stroke you can email: ltcp@hee.nhs.uk or visit the [stroke page on the HEE website](#).

Training Opportunities

To find information on training resources [CLICK HERE](#)

Excellent and **free online stroke brain imaging training resources** at the University of Edinburgh:

- Acute cerebral CT evaluation of Stroke Study (ACCESS)
- BASP CT training lecture
- Acute CTA for thrombectomy in Stroke (ACTATS)

[CLICK HERE](#) to access the training

Free Neurology/Stroke Learning Resource

Neuropodcases is a free, podcast learning resource on clinical neurology and stroke, suitable for students, trainees, consultants and allied health professionals. These have been created by a team of Neurology trainees and consultants.

Podcasts are available to download on Apple/Spotify or via the website

<https://www.neuropodcases.co.uk/>

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If you have any suggestions please get in touch with us contact@neuropodcases.co.uk

Online training 'Hyperacute Stroke Treatments Including Thrombolysis & Thrombectomy' - STARS Advancing Module

[CLICK HERE](#) to access this resource for free. A certificate is awarded on successful completion of both the module and the module test.

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