

Training during online **MDT** meetings

Multidisciplinary team (MDT) meetings offer oncology trainees the opportunity to observe and participate in nuanced discussions about treatment. Here are some key tips from fellow clinical oncologists for making the most of these meetings.



PREPARATION

Give trainees time to review cases before the meeting

Consider whether trainees could sit alongside radiologists as they prepare imaging.

Sitting with the chair can also be a valuable learning experience

Designate cases for the trainee to present and lead discussions on

 Presenting cases where there is clinical equipoise in terms of management may be more valuable than ones where treatment is more clear cut



LOCATION

Having trainee and trainer in the same room facilitates discussion of cases

Alternatively, set up a separate virtual meeting



INTRODUCTIONS

Encourage the chair to introduce the trainee to the MDT



DURING THE MEETING

Allow trainees the opportunity to present cases

Encourage trainees to give an opinion

Support trainees to ask questions openly

Give senior trainees the chance to chair the meeting

Encourage the trainee to annotate the meeting list



AFTER THE MEETING

Allow time for a debrief

- Highlight important learning points
- Feedback on presentation skills and participation
- Consider completing a workplace based assessment

Encourage suggestions from trainees on how to maximise their learning