

Laparoscopic Colorectal Foundation Courses for Specialist Registrars Years 5 & 6 (ST 7 – 8) Summer and Autumn 2012

The STEPS Laparoscopic Colorectal Foundation Course, established by Ethicon Endo-Surgery in partnership with The ICENI Centre in Colchester, offers advanced training in laparoscopic colorectal surgery over six days, split between Colchester and ESI, Hamburg. Since its inception, sixty delegates have completed the course.

Module One

The first two day Module held in Colchester concentrates on anatomical considerations for right hemicolectomy, a step-wise approach to performing this operation laparoscopically, laparoscopic suturing techniques and operating theatre set-up for safe practice. There is also a live surgery demonstration. Delegates will also carry out dissection on synthetic models and animal tissue in our skills laboratory and gain an understanding of procedural complications.

Module Two

The second two day Module in Hamburg consolidates the skills learnt in Module One and there will be an opportunity to perform wet lab surgery with close supervision, as well as to take advantage of further dry lab experience. There will be a progression to left sided resection using Symbionix simulators.

Module Three

The third two day Module, held at ICENI Colchester focuses on training on left sided resections, with a live demonstration and presentations by delegates on allocated laparoscopic topics. A certificate of attendance is awarded for delegates completing all three modules.



For further details on the application process and application forms please contact Isla Drage, ICENI Course Co-ordinator, ICENI Centre, Colchester Hospital, Turner Road, Colchester, CO4 5JL.

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2012 Key Dates

Programme 1

11/12 June

21/22 June

16/17 July

Programme 2

22/23 October

13/14 November

10/11 December

Closing Dates

2 March

29 June



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