

Royal College of Psychiatrists Wales

SAS Network Conference

Date: Fri 9th May 2025

Venue: Clayton Hotel, Cardiff, CF10 1RH (optional Hybrid)

Venue open from 9.30 for Refreshments	
Morning Session	
10.00 am	 Welcome and introduction to the conference Dr Jaqueline Palmer & Dr Alison Shaw Conference Co-Chairs
10.10 am	Introduction to the College (Video) • Dr Lade Smith President, Royal College of Psychiatrists
10.20 am	The SAS Strategy and the New Opportunities open to SAS Psychiatrists • Dr Lily Read SAS Committee Chair, Royal College of Psychiatrists
10.50 am	 Start Well, Stay Well Initiative Dr Kathryn Naylor Associate Specialist, Mersey Care NHS Trust
11.00 am	Coffee break
11.20 am	Intro to the RCPsych Wales SAS Network
11.30 am	 The role of the SAS Tutor and the SAS Advocate Dr Nicola Allen Specialty Doctor in General Surgery, SAS Tutor for Hywel Dda Dr Naeem Aziz Associate Specialist, SAS Advocate and Clinical Director, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Conference Programme



11.55 am 12.15 pm	Portfolio Pathway – What's new? • Sarah Holmes Specialist Registration & Equivalence Manager, Royal College of Psychiatrists Specialist role – an update • Jonathan Scattergood Campaigns Manager BMA
12.30 pm	Lunch break
Afternoon Session	
1.30 pm	 SAS Career Choices SAS to Consultant via Portfolio Pathway Dr Ben Shooter Clinical Director, Powys Teaching Health Board SAS to Consultant via Higher Training Dr Lily Mohamed Consultant Addiction Psychiatrist, Cardiff & Vale University Health Board SAS by Choice Dr Antonino Curatola Specialty Doctor, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board
2.15 pm	Question & Answer Session
2.30 pm	 Opportunities for SAS Doctors through RCPsych Wales Prof Alka Ahuja MBE Chair of Royal College of Psychiatrists Wales Ollie John National Manager, Royal College of Psychiatrists Wales
3.00 pm	Closing remarks & summary