

# Levels of Supervision: A Mugs Guide

Supervised Learning Events (SLEs) in the Anaesthetic Curriculum (2021) include a descriptor of the level of supervision required for the stated activity or case. This requires the assessor to select what level of supervision would be required **if the trainee undertook the same case again, right now**. It does **not** reflect the supervision level provided during the case.

**If you're stuck, think: how will I have my next coffee?!**

	<p><b>Level 1: Direct supervisor involvement, physically present in theatre throughout.</b></p> <p>"I'm stuck in theatre..."</p>
	<p><b>Level 2a: Supervisor available in theatre suite, available to guide aspects of work through regular monitoring.</b></p> <p>"I'll be in the coffee room."</p>
	<p><b>Level 2b: Supervisor available in hospital for queries. Provides prompt advice/assistance if required.</b></p> <p>"I'll be in the mess."</p>
	<p><b>Level 3: Supervisor on call from home. Can provide advice via phone or non-immediate assistance.</b></p> <p>"I'm heading off home, I'll keep my phone nearby."</p>
	<p><b>Level 4: Managing independently with no supervisor involvement (but informs them appropriate to local protocols).</b></p> <p>"I'm off to bed!"</p>