**Living arrangements & contact with your parent(s)/guardian(s):**

In order to establish whether you meet our criteria, we need to know if you still live with your parent(s)/guardian(s). If you do not live with one or both of them, we need to know if you have **regular contact** with them.

We understand that contact can vary between families and could have changed at different times in your life. You may find the below information from [Gingerbread](https://www.gingerbread.org.uk/) useful in knowing what kind of information we are looking for, and to help you consider your own circumstances:

 • Seeing, communicating with or staying with your other parent/guardian regularly after your parents/guardians have separated.

• Seeing, communicating with or staying with your parent(s)/guardian(s) regularly after you have moved out of the family home (for example, if you are a mature applicant).

There are many different types of contact, including speaking on the phone or online, seeing the parent on regular days and times, going to stay with your other parent overnight, or for long periods during the school holidays or regular weekend stays.

If you are unsure what information is relevant to include, then please provide us with as much information as possible to help us understand your circumstances.

Occasionally, we may need to contact you for further information about your family and/or your circumstances. We will do so by contacting you at the email address provided on your application. Any additional information you provide will be treated as confidential by the Admissions team and is only requested to help us to understand your circumstances fully to make a fair assessment.

We understand that everyone's family and circumstances are different and may not fit neatly into the limits of our First in Family form. If your personal or family circumstances are not reflected in the choices available, then please contact us at ugamedicine@lancaster.ac.uk to discuss this further.

**Parent/guardian education & employment:**

If either of your parent(s)/guardian(s) attended Higher Education, either in the UK or abroad, then you should provide a copy of their original graduation certificate(s) following submission of the survey. The First in Family form will prompt you to do so if this is relevant. Certificates should be sent to ugamedicine@lancaster.ac.uk.

If your parent(s)/guardian(s) have studied for multiple degrees (e.g. undergraduate and postgraduate), then you should provide copies of both graduation certificates. In cases where a degree is in progress, please provide an official letter/document from the university confirming current student status.