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INFORMATION SHEET SPECIALIST TRAINING FOR GENERAL PRACTICE

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Assessment for CCT - Transition Arrangements

INTRODUCTION

This information sheet describes the likely options for those doctors in general practice training during the transition period 2005-2008. The proposals will be subject to approval by the Postgraduate Medical Education and Training Board (PMETB).

From August 2007 it is proposed that there will be a single new assessment process for doctors wishing a CCT (Certificate of Completion of Training) in general practice. This new assessment will also be an essential requirement for entry to the GMC Generalist Register and Membership of the Royal College of General Practitioners (MRCGP).

Work is progressing on the new assessment which is termed 'nMRCGP'. Further details are available from www.rcgp.org.uk.

1. Those who start Training on or after 1st August 2007.

ALL these doctors will be required to complete the nMRCGP prior to issue of CCT.

2. Those who have commenced training prior to 1st August 2007 who have not successfully completed any summative assessment modules by 31st July 2007.

ALL these doctors will be required to complete the nMRCGP prior to issue of CCT.

3. Those who have commenced training prior to 1st August 2007 who have completed at least one component of summative assessment by 31st July 2007.

These doctors will have until 31st July 2008 to complete the summative assessment package (see below). If it is unlikely that they will complete training before 31st July 2008 it is advisable that they pursue the nMRCGP assessment.

This group of doctors can elect to utilise the nMRCGP assessments.

SUMMATIVE ASSESSMENT DURING TRANSITION

1. Multiple Choice Questionnaire (MCQ)

The summative assessment MCQ will be available until May 2007. After this date all doctors in general practice training will be required to sit and pass the nMRCGP applied knowledge test (AKT).

2. Consultation Skills (Video or Simulated Surgery)

From 1st August 2007 - 31st July 2008 all doctors in general practice training will be required to submit videos for assessment through the combined MRCGP/SA route. Levels 1,2 and 3 summative assessment methodology will continue for those videos which fail the MRCGP assessment.

The Simulated Patient Surgery (SPS) will continue to July 2008.

3. Written Submission

The COGPED audit marking scheme and the National Project Marking Scheme (NPMS) will continue to be available until 31st July 2008.

4. Trainers Report

The current structured trainers report or the new extended trainers report (nMRCGP) will be acceptable for summative assessment until 31st July 2008. The Extended Trainers Report for nMRCGP may also be used for this purpose.



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The following table summarises the components of the current summative assessment process through transition.

One Component successfully completed prior to 31st July 2007	Components still to undertake to complete by 31st July 2008	From 1st August 2008 GPR to undertake
Multiple Choice Questionnaire (MCQ)	Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery) Written submission (Audit or NPMS) Structured Trainers Report	Clinical Skills Assessment (CSA) Workplace Based Assessment (WPBA)
Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery)	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Written submission (Audit or NPMS) Structured Trainers Report	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Workplace Based Assessment (WPBA)
Written submission (Audit or NPMS)	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery) Structured Trainers Report	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Clinical Skills Assessment (CSA) Structured Trainers Report

Two Components successfully completed prior to 31st July 2007	Components still to undertake to complete by 31st July 2008	From 1st August 2008 GPR to undertake
MCQ Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery)	Written submission (Audit or NPMS) Structured Trainers Report	Workplace Based Assessment (WPBA)
MCQ Written submission (Audit or NPMS)	Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery) Structured Trainers Report	Clinical Skills Assessment (CSA) Structured Trainers Report
Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery) Written submission (Audit or NPMS)	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Structured Trainers Report	Applied Knowledge Test (AKT) Structured Trainers Report

Three Components successfully completed prior to 31st July 2007	Component still to undertake to complete by 31st July 2008	From 1st August 2008 GPR to undertake
MCQ Consulting Skills (Video or Simulated Patient Surgery) Written submission (Audit or NPMS)	Structured Trainers Report	Structured Trainers Report