

# Application for appointment as an examiner for the MRCP(UK) Part 2 Clinical Examination (PACES)

Dear Colleague,

#### **Nomination and Appointment of Examiners**

Thank you for your interest in applying to become a PACES examiner. The PACES exam is an integral part of the United Kingdom's medical training system and helps to ensure that trainees meet the highest standards of patient care. Examining offers physicians the opportunity to earn external CPD points, develop their skills as an assessor, and share best practice with other physicians from around the country.

Applicants should review the attached criteria and complete the application form. Completed forms must be submitted to the Examination Department of your College (or your chosen College if you are a Fellow of more than one). Please pay particular attention to the declarations section of the form as we will require your signature before the application will be considered. Supporting statements and signatures are required from two referees, both of whom should be Fellows, or Members, of one of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the UK. One of the referees must be a current PACES examiner.

Information on the appointment criteria can be found overleaf. Any applicants who are unsure of their eligibility should contact their College's Examination Department for guidance.

Once appointed, examiners must satisfactorily complete examiner training before they will be permitted to examine. Once trained, examiners are invited to examine at venues organised by any of the three Royal Colleges of Physicians.

In order to retain examiner status, examiners will be required to abide by the PACES examiner code of conduct, and maintain adherence to the criteria, and will be asked to confirm this on an annual basis.

Thank you, once again, for your interest.

Dr Kenneth Dagg Chairman

MRCP(UK) Clinical Examining Board

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### **MRCP(UK) PACES Examiner Selection Criteria**

Hold MRCP(UK).

Be a Fellow or Collegiate Member of one of the UK Colleges of Physicians. Collegiate Members must have achieved the Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT) at least two years prior to applying, and be in a substantive consultant post. Physicians who are resident outside the UK and who wish to examine in the UK must hold Fellowship of one of the UK Colleges of Physicians.

Have ongoing involvement in clinical medicine in an inpatient or outpatient setting either currently or within the last 2 years.

Have routine clinical responsibility for the assessment, investigation, and management of a broad range of clinical conditions assessed in PACES\*. Clinicians working in a number of specialties outside General Medicine / Acute Medicine should be able to meet these criteria.

Provide clinical supervision to core medical trainees (or equivalent) in the care of patients with a range of conditions assessed in PACES.

Have undergone Equality and Diversity training in the past 3 years.

Be prepared to examine at least 6 cycles (30 candidates) per annum.

Be on the Medical Register (or international equivalent).

(UK only) Participate in revalidation, including annual appraisal in current post, and adherence to CPD requirements.

\* These conditions are set out in the Core Medical Training curriculum (available at <a href="http://www.jrcptb.org.uk/trainingandcert/Pages/ST1-ST2.aspx#cmtcurricassess">http://www.jrcptb.org.uk/trainingandcert/Pages/ST1-ST2.aspx#cmtcurricassess</a>), and cover disorders of the cardiovascular, respiratory, gastrointestinal, endocrine, and nervous systems, together with rheumatology, renal medicine, dermatology, clinical haematology, conditions associated with aging, and other conditions set out in the Core Medical Training curriculum. The clinical settings include emergency medicine, hospital inpatients, and outpatients.

Clinical communication topics are broad and include discussion about possible transfer of patients with acute illness to intensive care units, end of life care, palliative care, and breaking of bad news, amongst others.









#### MRCP(UK) Part 2 Clinical Examination (PACES) Examiner Application Form

Section 1 – Im	nportant Informati	on	
College Member	rship/Fellowship	GMC Number	Application to: (Please tick your single preference)
Number			Edinburgh
			Glasgow
			London
Section 2 – Pe	ersonal Details		
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Section 3 –Qualifications and posts		
Please list your qualifications and details of curre than five years.	ent position and previou	is positions if you have been in your current post for less
Qualifications	Date (from – to)	University/ Awarding body
Current appointment	Date (from – to)	Position and specialty
Previous appointments (if in current position less than five years)		
Describe your on call duties, average in patient	numbers supervised an	d clinics performed per week



Section 4 – Examining and Teaching Experience
Why would you like to be an MRCP(UK) Examiner?
Describe other examining experience that you have, e.g. undergraduate or other College examinations
Describe your teaching experience and current commitment to training



List the teaching/examinations courses to which you have contributed	

Section 5 – Criteria (Please tick the appropriate box ar	nd provide	e informa	ation where necessary)
	Yes	No	Comment
Do you hold MRCP(UK)			
Are you:			
a Fellow of one of the UK Colleges of Physicians, <b>OR</b>			
a Collegiate Member who has held a     UK Certificate of Completion of			
Training for at least two years, and in a substantive consultant post?			
In your current post, do you routinely take histories from, examine, investigate, and manage patients across a range of the clinical conditions represented in PACES?			
In your current post, do you participate regularly in unselected acute general medical take?			
In your current post, do you provide clinical supervision of trainees in the workplace at the stage of training where the PACES standard is set?			
In your current post, do you assess trainees using the workplace based			
assessment tools across a range of the clinical conditions represented in PACES?			
Have you undertaken equality and diversity training within the last three years?			

## **MRCPUK**

Section 6 – References	
Give the <b>names, postal addresses and email addresses</b> of two referees who know your professional and educational work and are Fellows or Collegiate Members (who have held a substantive consultant positions for 2 years or more) of one of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the UK. At least one referee must be a PACES Examiner ( <i>please indicate and quote examiner number</i> ). (Please note that referees may be contacted with regard to your application).  1.	
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Correspondence address	
City Postcode	
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Supporting statement	
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<b>2.</b> Name	
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## **MRCPUK**

	Yes	۱
(UK based examiners) I confirm that I am working towards revalidation (including being up to date with		
ppraisal and CPD, and that my CPD includes a component of General Internal Medicine relating to the		
conditions assessed in PACES. Please enter date of next revalidation:		
(non UK based examiners) I confirm that I am on the medical register of the country in which I practice.		
I confirm that I will commit to examining a minimum of 6 cycles (30 candidates) per annum in PACES to maintain my skills as an examiner.		
Membership/Fellowship		
l understand that, if for any reason my Membership/Fellowship of my College of entry is withdrawn, or if I f		ne
terms and conditions of maintaining standing as a Member/Fellow, my appointment as an MRCP(UK) Exam	ner will be	
rescinded automatically.		
Avoidance of discriminatory behaviour		
All examiners are reminded that avoidance of discriminatory behaviour will include attitudes, activities, assi beliefs, whether conscious or unconscious.	umptions, an	d
MRCP(UK) Examination procedures, Examination papers, Examination results and individual Examiner perfo	rmance will	he
analysed routinely by the MRCP(UK) Management Board, the MRCP(UK) Examining Boards and the MRCP(UK)		
Advisory Groups to confirm that fair treatment is being provided to all candidates.		
Confidentiality		
All examiners are reminded that it is of the utmost importance that the security of the Clinical Examination	is not breach	ed.
identity of the patients and scenarios to be used in the Examination should be known only to a limited num		
of whom will have signed a confidentiality clause before being involved in the Examination. In addition, con	fidentiality o	f th
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