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FFPMRCA Examiner Person Specification

PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS	APPLICATION AND SELECTION	EXAMINERSHIP
Essential		
A Fellow (FFPMRCA), excluding honorary fellowships	V	\checkmark
Substantive consultant/SAS grade in Pain Medicine	\checkmark	1
In good standing with the Faculty of Pain Medicine	\checkmark	\checkmark
Holds full registration, without limitation, with the GMC	\checkmark	\checkmark
In active clinical practice in the UK		√*
Able to commit at least 7 days per academic year or part time equivalent and has the support of the Trust to achieve this.	\checkmark	\checkmark
Has the expectation of completing no less than six years and no more than ten years as an examiner		\checkmark
Desirable		
Able to demonstrate a special interest relevant to the balance of expertise required		\checkmark

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL AND OCCUPATIONAL TRAINING	APPLICATION AND SELECTION	EXAMINERSHIP
Essential		
Demonstrates commitment to ongoing assessment, training and development as an examiner/trainer	\checkmark	\checkmark
Attendance at Equality and Diversity Training		√**
Participates in revalidation, including annual appraisal in current post, and adherence to CPD requirements	V	√*

Desirable		
Able to demonstrate the involvement in written and electronic publications that are of particular relevance to training/education and basic sciences of Pain Medicine.	V	
Will have visited a FFPMRCA examination within the last five years, at the time of being shortlisted.		

EXPERIENCE	APPLICATION AND SELECTION	EXAMINERSHIP
Essential		
At least three years' experience as a substantive consultant/SAS grade. It is often the case that applicants will need to have five years or more experience as a substantive consultant/SAS grade in order to demonstrate the necessary experience and commitment to education and training of trainees		\checkmark
Active involvement and commitment to the education and training of trainees	\checkmark	\checkmark
Desirable		
Has held or holds an official FPM trainer post such as RAPM, Faculty Tutor (Pain) etc.	V	

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE	APPLICATION AND SELECTION	EXAMINERSHIP
Essential		
Excellent written and verbal communication skills	\checkmark	\checkmark
IT literate (must be able to use MS word, Excel SharePoint)		
Proven team player who sets and achieves high standards	\checkmark	\checkmark
Demonstrates high professional standards as a trainer and/or examiner		
Fully up to date with the requirements and practices of Pain Medicine	V	

Demonstrates courtesy and fairness and non- discrimination towards all trainees/candidates and fellow doctors/examiners	V	\checkmark
Demonstrates an understanding of the level of knowledge, skills and attitudes required of a candidate to pass FFPMRCA Examination components	V	\checkmark

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES	APPLICATION AND SELECTION	EXAMINERSHIP
Desirable		
Highly self-motivated	\checkmark	
Meticulous attention to detail	\checkmark	
Ability to form excellent working relationships at all levels	V	\checkmark
Able to handle challenging people and situations with discretion, tact and diplomacy	V	V
Friendly and consultative attitude		\checkmark
Willingness to contribute to wider aims of training and assessment	V	\checkmark

* Examiners who retire whilst in tenure they may continue as an examiner to the end of the academic year in which they retire.

**On application equality and diversity training must have been carried out within the last three years. On acceptance of examinership, examiners are expected to undertake equality and diversity training specific to examinations on an annual basis (this is arranged by the College).