

## ADVICE TO TRAINEES ON EXAMINATIONS TAKEN OUTSIDE APPROVED POSTGRADUATE TRAINING

Further to our earlier notice about GMC's ruling that doctors taking examinations or assessments whilst 'out of training' (for example those on maternity leave or on a break between training programmes), are not eligible for a CCT, but instead would have to follow the CESR(CP) route to specialist registration, we can report that the GMC took further legal advice which countered the original legal opinion.

The outcome is that the GMC has published a revised position on its website at: <http://www.gmc-uk.org/news/7264.asp>.

This will shortly be supplemented by a joint statement by the GMC for key interest groups.

What is important is that it is now clear that anyone who has acquired a CCT since 2005, anyone currently in CCT training, and those appointed to CCT training to begin in the 2010 round will not be affected by any change in interpretation of the Medical Act (2005).

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