

Vacancy: Associate Medical Director for Written Examinations MRCP(UK)

The Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the UK is seeking to appoint a highly motivated Associate Medical Director for Written Examinations to oversee our portfolio of written examinations. The successful candidate will have responsibility for the clinical and academic leadership of the MRCP(UK) Part 1, Part 2 Written, 11 Specialty Certificate Examinations, and European Specialty examinations.

The written examinations are currently taken by more than 20,000 candidates globally per annum. Hundreds of physicians are involved in developing and delivering the 17 written and computer based MRCP(UK) examinations every year. The examinations are underpinned by rigorous quality control and assurance processes and a question bank with over 55,000 high quality questions.

Working with the Medical Director, Dr Kenneth Dagg, and the International Medical Director for Assessment, Dr Donald Farquhar, the Associate Medical Director for Written Examinations is responsible for influencing and ensuring that key academic objectives and standards are met at every stage of the production of our written examinations; from the effective training of question writers, to the creation of new questions and generation of examination papers.

The successful applicant will have a key role in leading and overseeing the question writing and examination construction processes, working with clinical and administrative staff to ensure that the standard of the written examinations meet the regulatory requirements set out by the General Medical Council.

The appointee will be a Fellow of one of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom, with a current license to practise. The role will require frequent attendance at a variety of question writing and examination board meetings across the UK and occasional international visits in support of the development of the examinations.

The appointee's employer will be reimbursed for the equivalent of two PAs per week, paid at standard rate (see job description document).

The first part of the tenure will be a proleptic appointment to enable "shadowing" of the current AMD for Written Examinations, Dr Derek Waller.

Applicants should submit a brief outline of their professional training, together with a resume of their commitment to medical education and training, and their specific expertise in the MRCP(UK) Diploma and Specialty Certificate Examinations, with details of two referees.

Applications and enquiries to Dr Benjamin Gillon, Head of Assessment Quality and Policy (policy.officer@mrcpuk.org; +44 (0)20 3075 1465).

The closing date for receipt of applications is **18 November**.

Interviews will take place at the Royal College of Physicians of London and the date will be confirmed in due course.