



Final Examination for the Fellowship in Clinical Oncology (Part B)

Oral Examination - Instructions for Candidates

- Your candidate timetable will tell you when your oral examination is scheduled to begin.
- You will be asked to arrive earlier than the scheduled time for your examination. For all candidates this will be no later than 15 minutes prior to their examination start time. These arrangements are to ensure that candidates cannot consult with each other.
- When you arrive at the examination, you will be asked to show your candidate timetable and ID. You will be given a badge bearing your candidate number and asked to wear this until you leave. You will also be asked to surrender your mobile telephone, which will be returned to you when you leave.
- In the oral examination, you will move between two examination rooms and spend twenty two (22) minutes at each. In one room, you will be examined on four topics for five minutes each; in the other, you will be examined on a further four topics. The order of rooms, topic and planning may vary between candidates.
- In each examination room, you will be examined by a pair of examiners and so will encounter a total of four examiners during the course of the oral examination.
- Just before the start of your examination, you will be directed to stand outside one of the examination rooms, which will be labelled 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6. You will move from your initial room to the next room numerically, moving from 1 to 2 or 6 to 1 if appropriate. You will only be examined in two of the six rooms.
- When examiners are ready, you will enter the room and sit down. A bell will sound and the examiners will start the questioning. A bell will sound twenty two minutes later to indicate the end of the station and you should immediately leave the room and move to wait outside the next one. You will be invited to enter and then a bell will sound a further twenty two minutes later to indicate the end of the examination.
- In order to ensure examination security is maintained, candidates must remain in quarantine until the last group of candidates have entered the examination rooms. You will be asked to complete a questionnaire about your examination experience. Once all candidates have arrived, you can collect your belongings and you are free to leave.