MRCP(UK) PACES Summer 2023

Performance report

Exam statistics

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<th>Number of candidates sitting</th>
<th>Number of UK Trainees</th>
<th>Candidates not training in the UK</th>
<th>Number of UK Graduates</th>
<th>Number of International Medical Graduates (IMG)</th>
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<th>Candidates sitting in UK centres</th>
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<td>68.5%</td>
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The number of female candidates is lower than male candidates, there are more BAME than white candidates. The number of non-UK trainees is higher than number of self-declared UK trainees.
Candidate performance

Candidate numbers have decreased for 23-2. Pass rates for all groups are in line with pre Covid diets.

Female candidates have a higher pass rate than male candidates, white candidates are passing in a higher proportion than BAME candidates and UK trainees have a higher pass rate than those not in UK training (Note: data on training is self-declared).

Candidate scores distribution shows most candidates scoring between 122 and 153 (mean=135, stdev=19.4, median=137, mode=134). UK trainees had a mean score of 140 and stdev = 17.8 (median = 140, mode= 132). The pass mark is established at 130 and candidates also have to pass all skills.
Skills and Encounters performance

For all candidates skill B has the lowest pass rate, 64.8%, while skill G has the highest pass rate, 99.6%. UK trainees are passing skill B in proportion of 69.1%, while the highest proportion is for skill G, 99.9%.
All candidates: skill G has the highest proportional average score (31.8/32; 99.4%) whereas skill B has the lowest proportional score (15.1/24; 63.0%) and these are consistent with historical data. The Communications encounter has the highest proportional mean score (13.3/16; 82.9%) and the Neurology encounter has the lowest (14.8/20; 73.9%).

UK trainees: skill G has the highest proportional average score (31.9/32; 99.5%) whereas skill B has the lowest proportional score (15.5/24; 64.6%) and these are consistent with historical data. The Communications encounter has the highest proportional mean score (14.0/16; 87.2%) and Neurology encounter has the lowest (14.9/20; 74.5%).
MRCP(UK) PACES 23-2 Diet
Skills Mean Scores - All Candidates

- A - Physical Examination
- B - Identifying Physical Signs
- C - Clinical Communication
- D - Differential Diagnosis
- E - Clinical Judgement
- F - Managing Patients' Concerns
- G - Maintaining Patient Welfare

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Encounters Mean Scores - All Candidates

- Respiratory
- Abdominal
- History
- CVS
- Neurology
- Comms
- BCC

Mean Score
Pass Mark
Maximum
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