

MRCP(UK) PACES Spring 2026

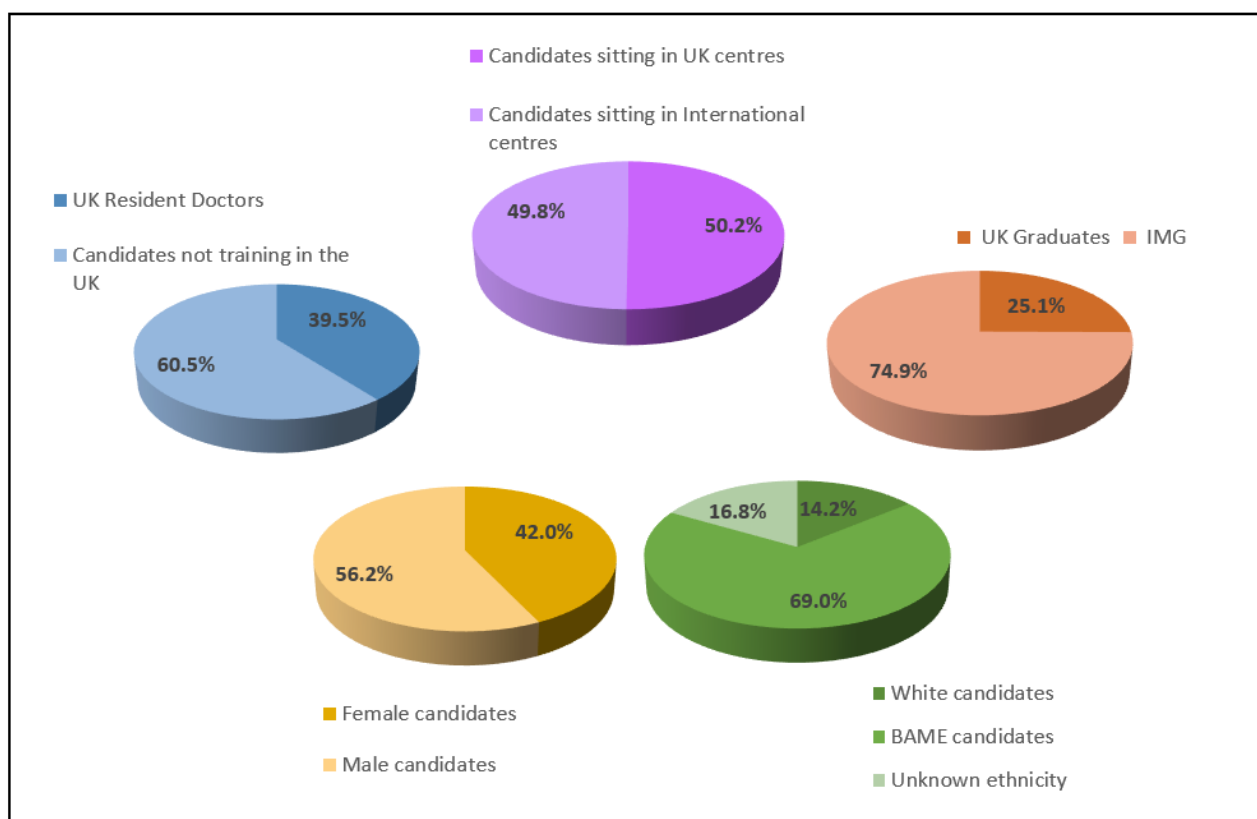
Performance report

Exam statistics

Number of candidates sitting	Number of UK Resident Doctors	Candidates not training in the UK	Number of UK Graduates	Number of International Medical Graduates (IMG)
2448	967	1481	615	1833
100%	39.5%	60.5%	25.1%	74.9%

Candidates sitting in UK centres	Candidates sitting in International centres	Female candidates	Male candidates	White candidates	BAME candidates	Unknown ethnicity
1228	1220	1028	1375	347	1690	411
50.2%	49.8%	42.0%	56.2%	14.2%	69.0%	16.8%

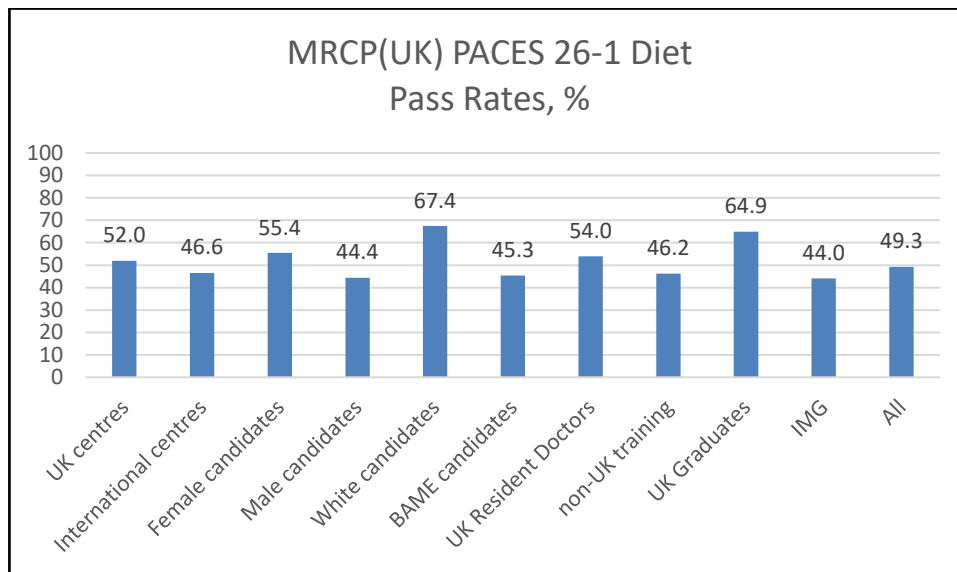
The number of female candidates is lower than male candidates, there are more BAME than white candidates and the number of self-declared UK Resident Doctors is lower than those not in training in the UK.



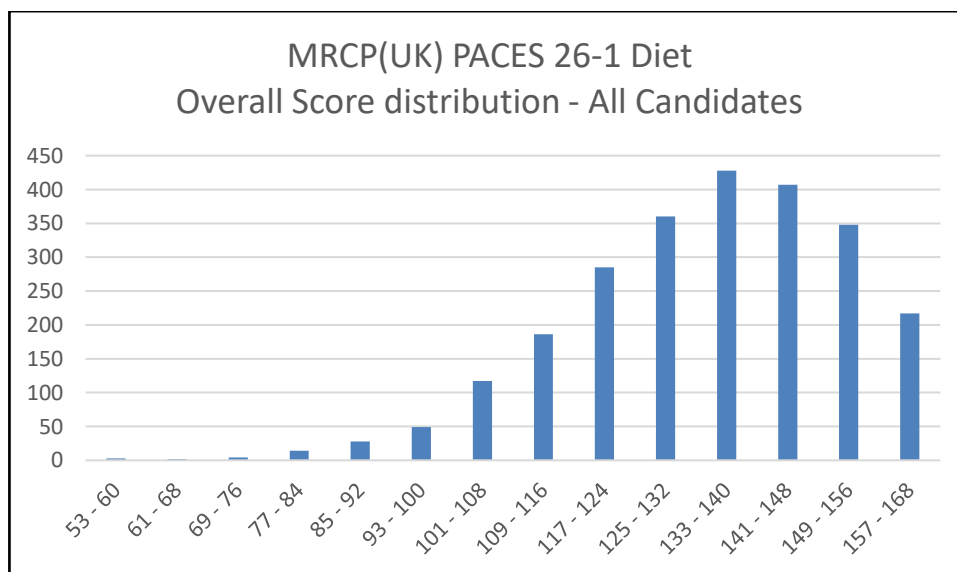
Candidate performance

Candidate numbers have decreased in 26-1 diet, compared to 25-3. Pass rates for all groups are in line with the norm.

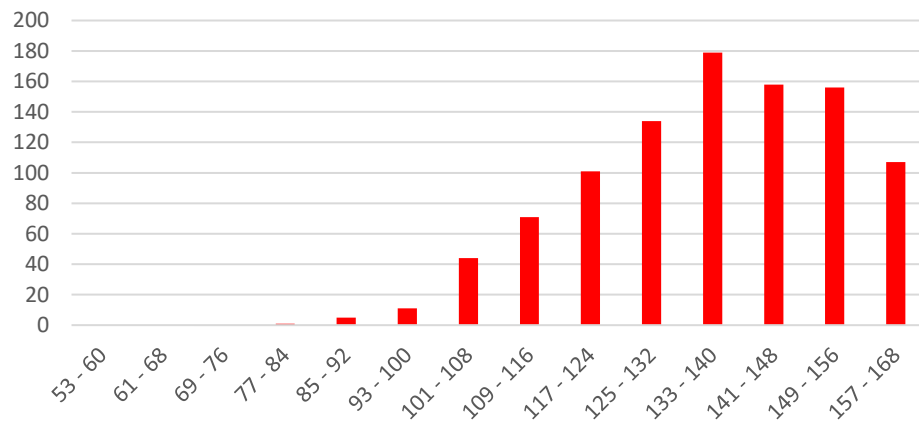
Female candidates have a higher pass rate than male candidates, white candidates are passing in a higher proportion than BAME candidates and UK Resident Doctors have a higher pass rate than those not in UK training (Note: data on training is self-declared).



Candidate scores distribution shows most candidates scoring between 109 and 140 (mean=134, stdev=17.8, median=136, mode=135). UK Resident Doctors had a mean score of 136 and stdev = 16.6 (median = 137, mode= 137). The pass mark is established at **126** and candidates also have to pass all skills.



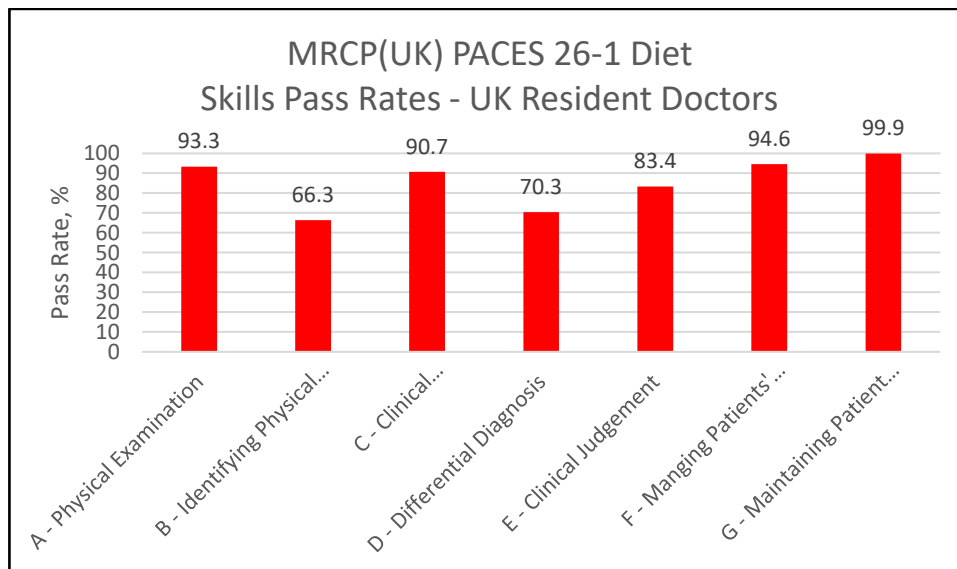
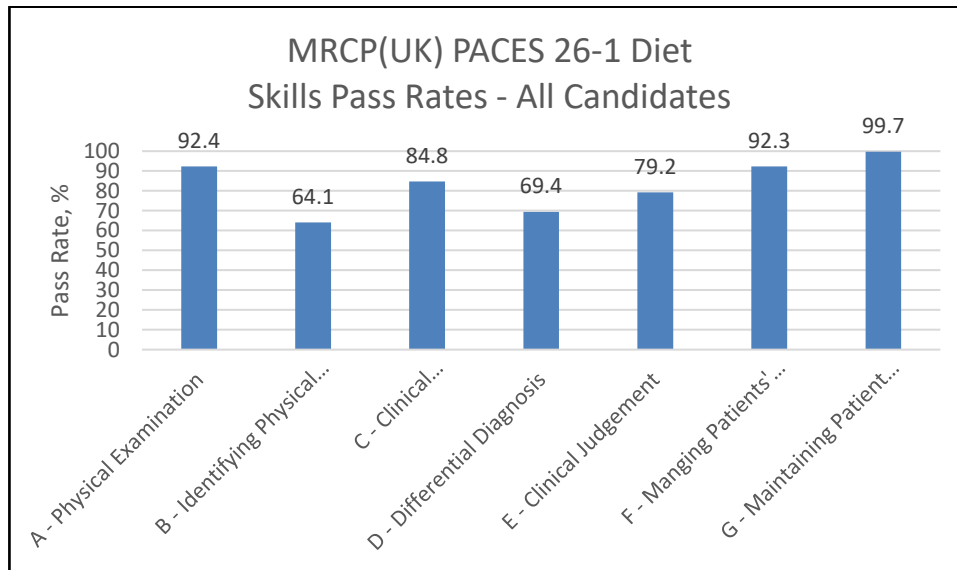
MRCP(UK) PACES 26-1 Diet
Overall Score distribution - UK Resident Doctors



Skills and Encounters performance

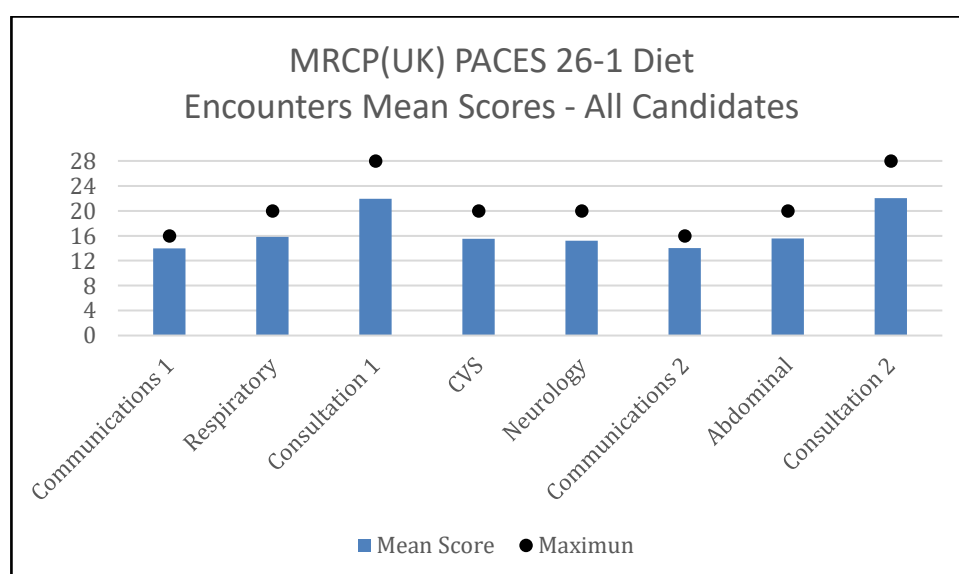
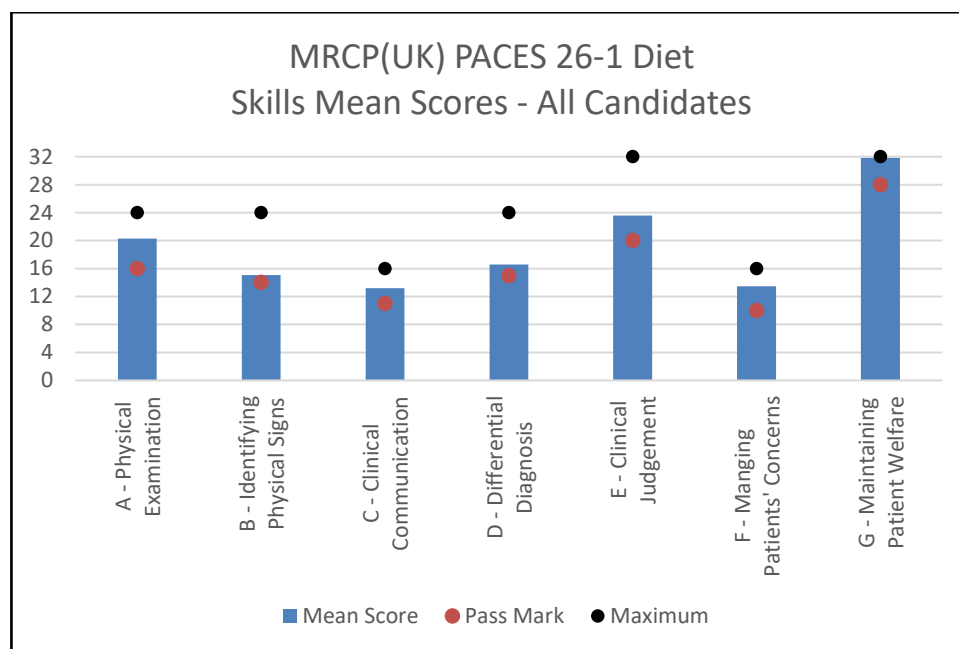
For all candidates skill B has the lowest pass rate, 64.1%, while skill G has the highest pass rate, 99.7%.

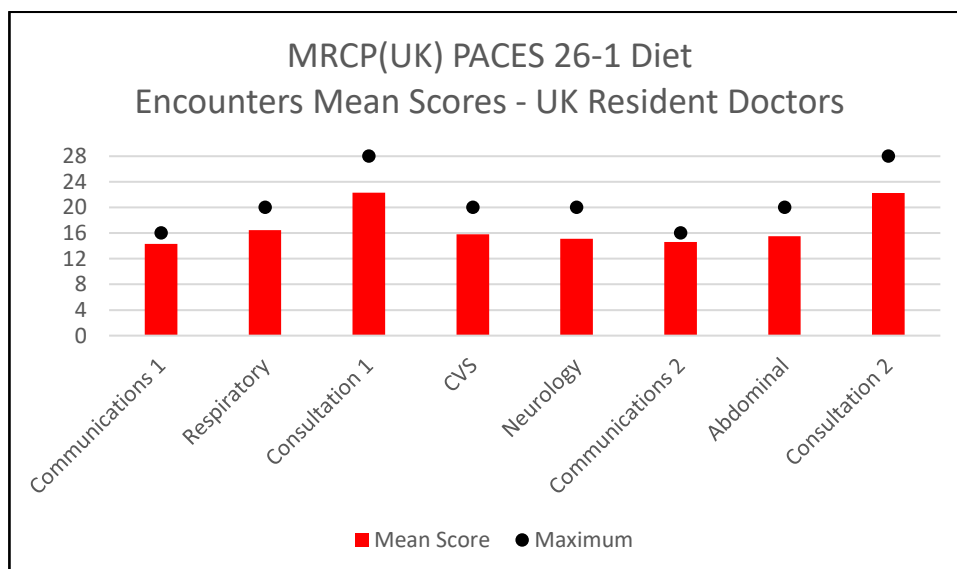
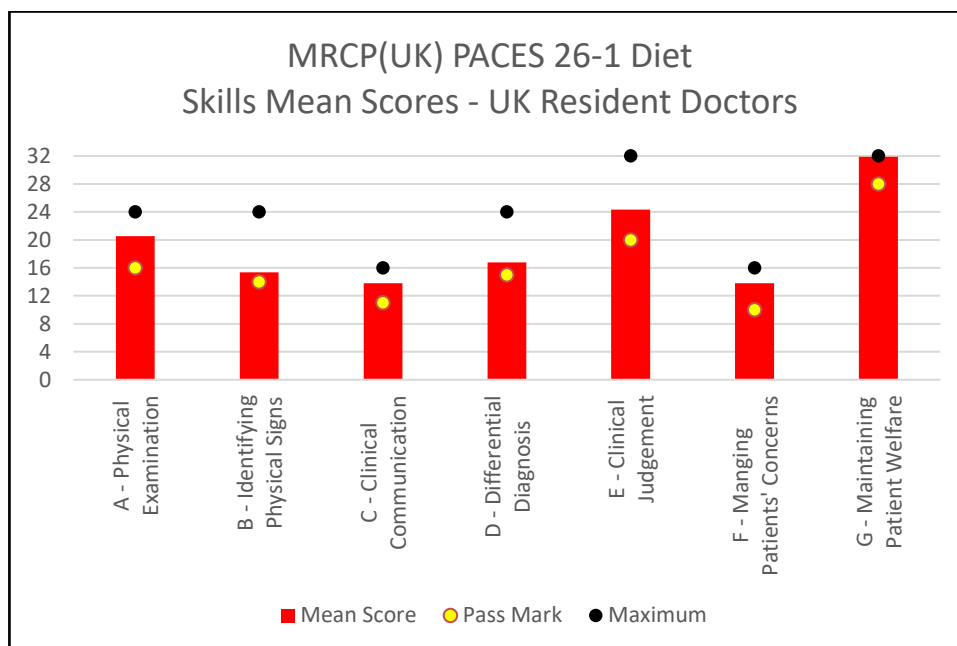
UK Resident Doctors are passing skill B in proportion of 66.3%, while the highest proportion is for skill G, 99.9%.



All candidates: skill G has the highest proportional average score (31.8/32; 99.5%) whereas skill B has the lowest proportional score (15.1/24; 62.8%) and these are consistent with historical data. The Communications encounters have the highest proportional mean score (14.0/16; 87.6%) and Neurology encounter has the lowest (15.2/20; 76.0%).

UK Resident Doctors: skill G has the highest proportional average score (31.9/32; 99.6%) whereas skill B has the lowest proportional score (15.4/24; 64.0%) and these are consistent with historical data. The Communications 2 encounter has the highest proportional mean score (14.6/16, 91.5%) and Neurology encounter has the lowest (15.1/20; 75.6%).





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