

Cardiff MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS Course: Preparatory Course for MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS OSCE Exam (specifically aimed at those appearing for the October 2019 sitting)

13th September 2019
School of Biosciences, Cardiff University

REPORTING INFORMATION

KINDLY READ THE MAIL IN FULL SINCE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

Dear Candidate,

**Re: Cardiff MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS OSCE Course: Preparatory Course for MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS OSCE –
13th September 2019 (Friday)**

Thank you for choosing to attend this course. May we take this opportunity to kindly welcome you to the course and to Cardiff.

This mail is to inform you of the directions to the venue and the format for the day.

I. GENERAL AND REPORTING INFORMATION

Date:

13th September 2019 (Friday)

Registration: 0830 hours

Start of Course: 0840 hours

End of Course: 1815 hours

Venue:

School of Biosciences, Sir Martin Evans Building, Cardiff University

Where to Report:

When you arrive at the Biomedical Building, also called the Sir Martin Evans Building (where the security centre is based), please follow directions to enter the School of Biosciences. Once you enter the building, kindly report to the foyer. A member of the team will direct you to the appropriate room.

II. ADDRESS, DIRECTIONS AND PARKING

Address:

Cardiff School of Biosciences
Sir Martin Evans Building
Park Place
Cardiff University
CF10 3AX
Wales
United Kingdom

Directions:

- For general directions to reach Cardiff University, please click on the link below:
<https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/visit/directions>
- To reach the course venue, please click on this link and look for directions to the 'Sir Martin Evans Building': <https://www.cardiff.ac.uk/visit/accessibility/cathays-park-campus/sir-martin-evans-building>
- To view the venue on a Google map, please follow this link:
https://maps.google.co.uk/maps?q=sir+martin+evans+building+google+map&ie=UTF-8&ei=0vhuUbnGE8TI4ATR9YHQDw&ved=0CAsQ_AUoAg
- More visual directions to the venue can be found by following this link:
http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/DOHNS/image_slider_latest/directiontovenue.html

Parking:

Paid parking is available on the road on either side of the Sir Martin Evans building (Colum Road or Museum Avenue). These car parks are maintained by the council and their rates can be found here:
<https://www.cardiff.gov.uk/ENG/resident/Parking-roads-and-travel/parking/On-street-parking/Pages/On-street-parking.aspx>.
Please click on Outer City Centre zone – long stay and short stay.

III. CONTENTS

This one-day intensive preparatory course will help the delegate gain a sound understanding of the structure and format of the MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS OSCE exam, and provide him/her with an insight into the key topics and areas on which to focus for the exam. Approximately 12-15 patient-centered clinical scenarios will be used to reflect the situations experienced in everyday ENT clinical practice; these scenarios will be in line with the topics commonly tested in the MRCS(ENT)/DOHNS OSCE exam. There will be opportunities for every delegate to participate and engage in a number of role-play scenarios, enabling him/her to identify areas of weakness and areas upon which he/she can improve. The course will conclude with a mock OSCE which will allow the delegate to gain an understanding of the type of stations tested in the real exam, to recognise how to prepare and overcome the time- constraints in the unmanned stations, and to appreciate the approach required to handle the manned stations.

Topics Covered:

- Surgical Anatomy of the Skull and Skull Base
- Surgical Anatomy of the Face, Oral Cavity, Mandible and Parotid
- Surgical Anatomy of the Neck, Larynx and Thyroid
- Pharyngeal Arches and Embryology of the Head and Neck
- Cancers of the Larynx
- Cancers of the Thyroid
- Cancers of the Tongue
- Cutaneous Malignancies in the Head and Neck Region
- Salivary Gland Tumours
- Common Pathologies of the Ear, Nose and Oral Cavity
- Overview of Management of the Cleft Lip and Palate
- Facial Nerve Palsy and Soft Tissues Swellings in the Face
- Management Options for Deafness (including Cochlear Implant)
- Information Giving – Common ENT Conditions
- Information Gathering – Common ENT Conditions
- Breaking Bad News – Common ENT Cancers
- Consenting for Common ENT Surgical Conditions

IV. DRESS CODE

The dress code for this event is professional/semi-formal. Kindly refrain from wearing shorts of any kind, hoodies and flip-flops.

V. BREAKS FOR REFRESHMENTS AND LUNCH

There will be 20-minute refreshment break in the morning and afternoon sessions, and a 40-minute lunch break. During the refreshment break, you will be provided with tea, coffee and biscuits/cakes. A sandwich lunch will also be provided. Vegetarian and non-vegetarian options will be available.

What you need to bring with you:

1. A copy of the email you have received from us regarding your confirmation of place (with your name). Please note that you will not be allowed to attend the course without this information.
2. Your hospital/employer identification badge.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at info@doctorsacademy.org.uk if you have any further queries in the interim. Alternatively, you can contact us at 02920 616 765.

If you have any issues on the day of the course, do not hesitate to contact us on **+44 (0) 75 3426 0131**.

We look forward to meeting you at the course.

With very best wishes,

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