

Cardiff MRCS OSCE Course: Five-Day Preparatory Course for MRCS OSCE

Feedback - September 2025

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This five-day preparatory course provided the attendee with a thorough understanding of the topics on which to focus and the areas to prepare for the MRCS OSCE. The course was delivered through a robust method of small group teaching, individual OSCEs and interactive discussions, all of which aimed to guide the attendee to prepare for each component of the exam (all stations were covered during the five days).

Day 1 and Day 2 focussed on the knowledge component of the exam, with emphasis placed on anatomy and pathology but also consideration of related microbiology and applied surgical sciences (physiology). Day 3 was divided into a morning session that covered clinical and procedural skills and an afternoon session that covered additional applied surgical sciences and critical care stations. Day 4 consisted of small group teaching using anatomical prosections, relevant pathological specimens, and osteology. A mock OSCE took place during the afternoon. Day 5 consisted of clinical examination stations in the morning and communication skills stations in the afternoon.

Course Information

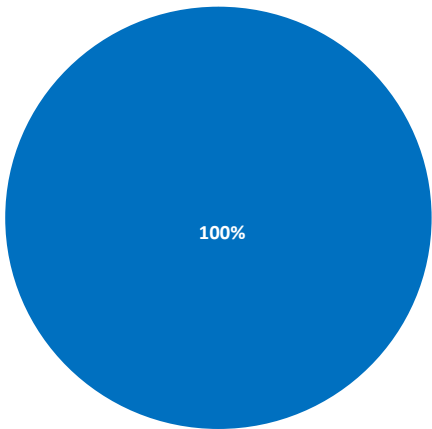
Venue:	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff; School of Biosciences, Cardiff University
Dates:	24th - 28th September 2025
Attendance:	40 Delegates
Aimed at:	Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination
Course Fee:	£945.00



Overall Feedback

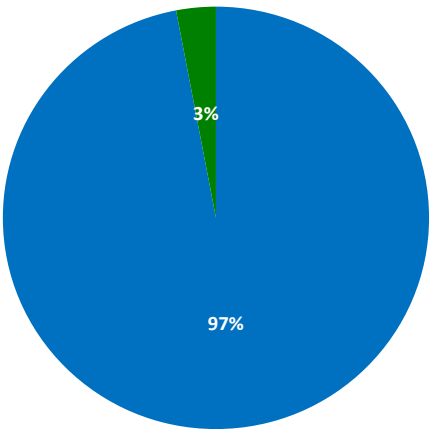
Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th September 2025

Skull Base, Head and Face



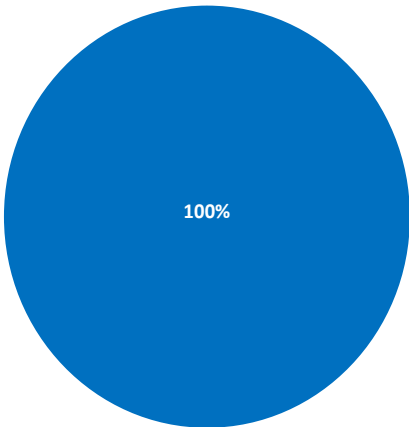
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Neck, Larynx, Soft Palate, and Pharynx



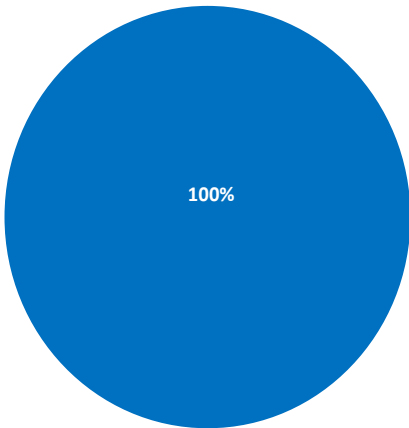
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Thorax, Mediastinum, Heart, and Lungs



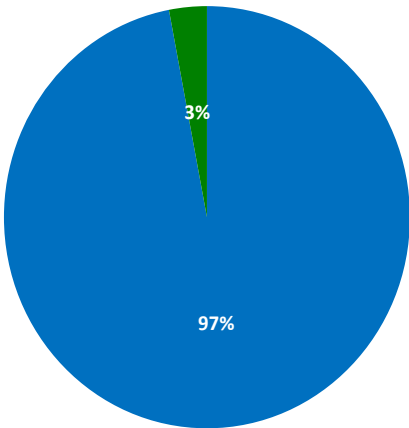
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Brachial Plexus, Upper Limb and Upper Limb Nerve Injuries



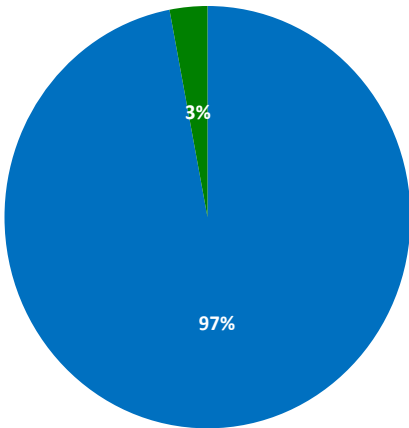
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General Abdomen



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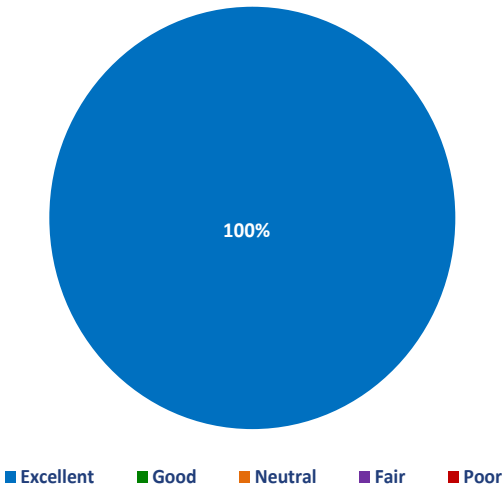
Abdominal Organs (Solid and Hollow)



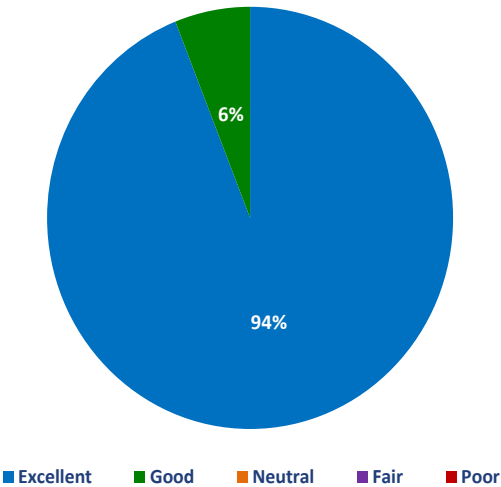
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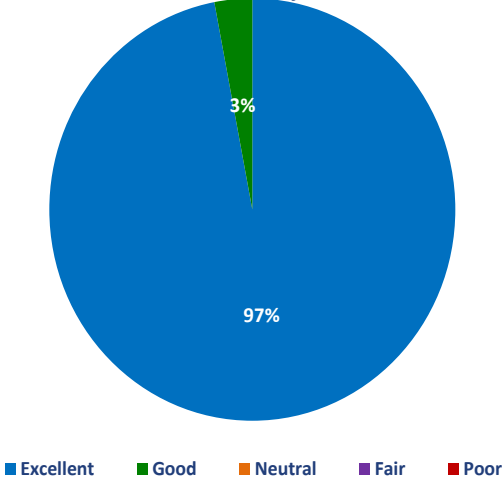
Pelvis and Perineum



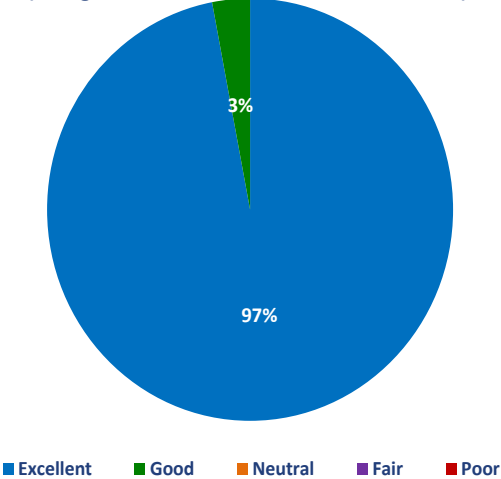
Spinal Cord and Spinal Cord Syndromes



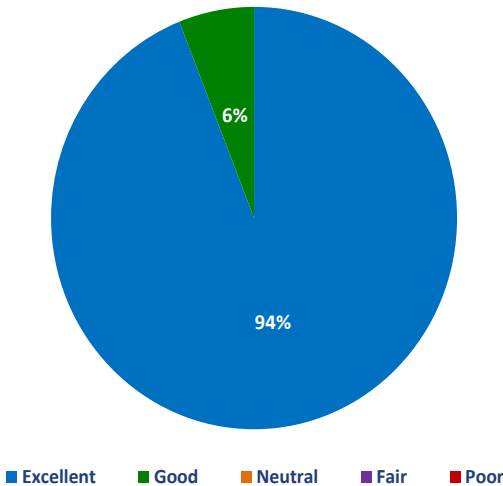
Lumbosacral Plexus, Lower Limb and Lower Limb Nerve Injuries



Pathology: Lumps and Skin Cancers (Malignant Melanoma and Non-Melanoma)

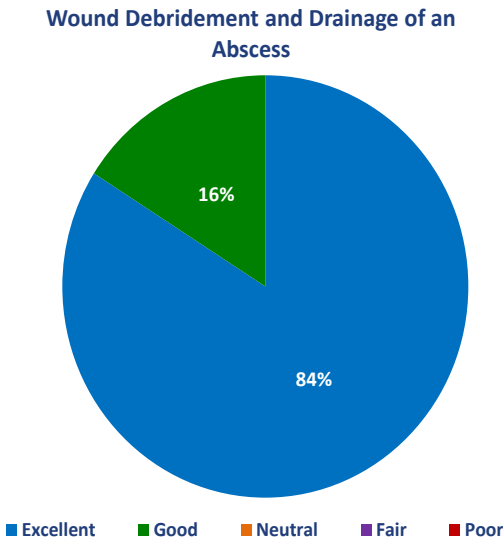
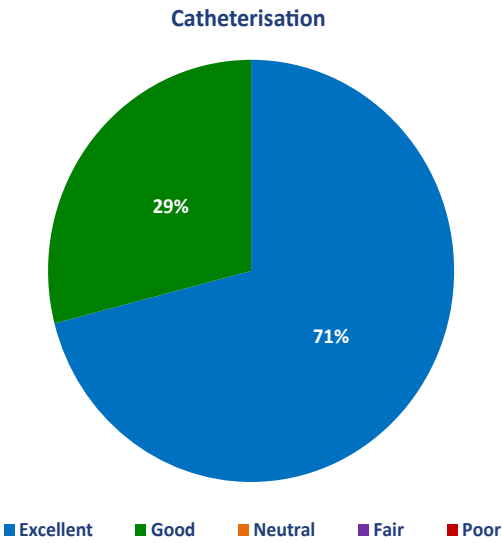
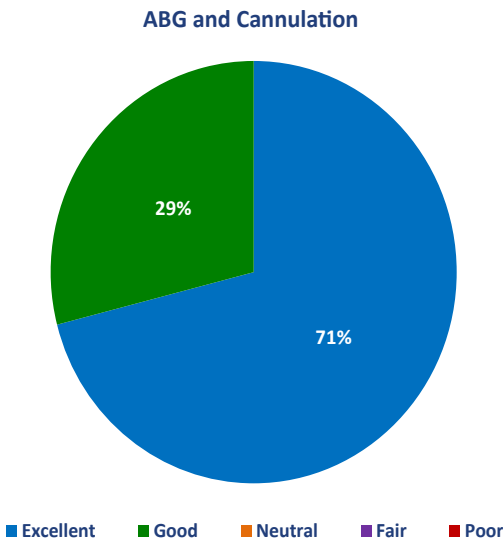
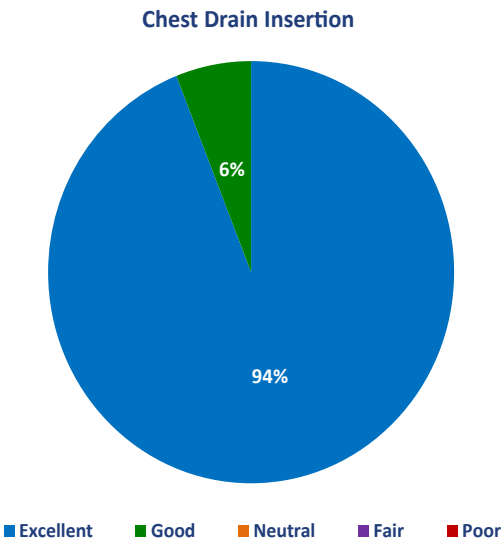
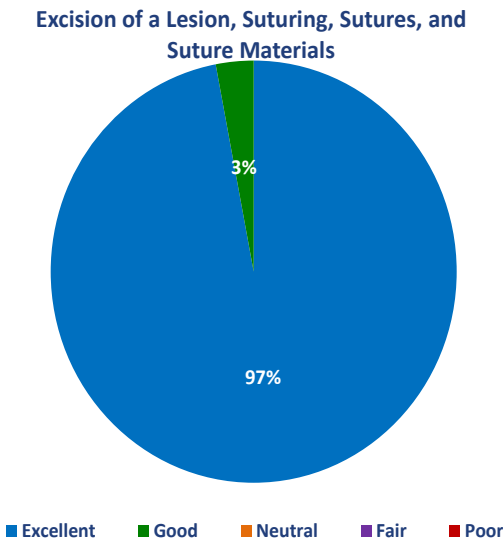
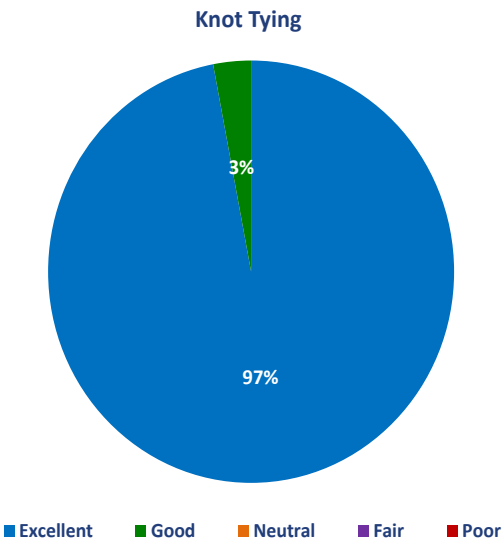


Pathology: Thyroid Pathologies and Cancers



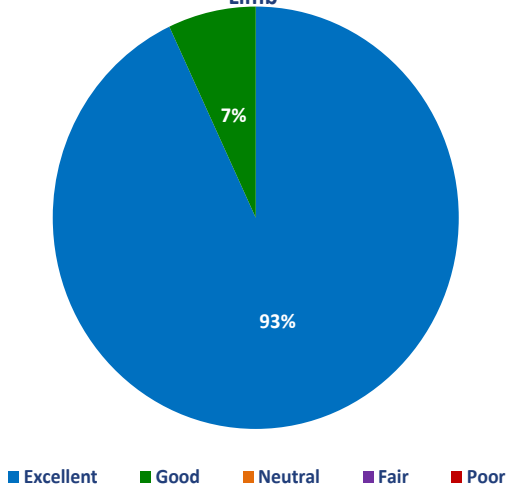
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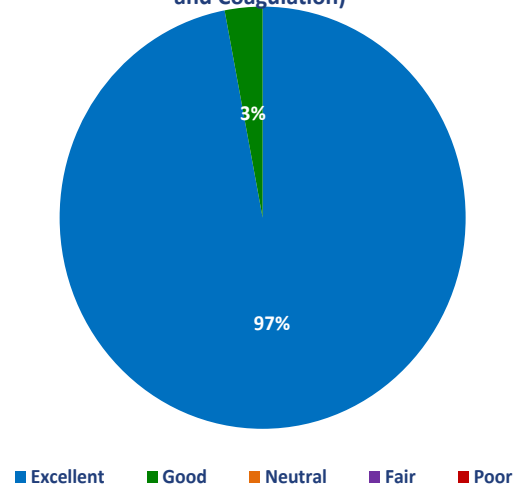


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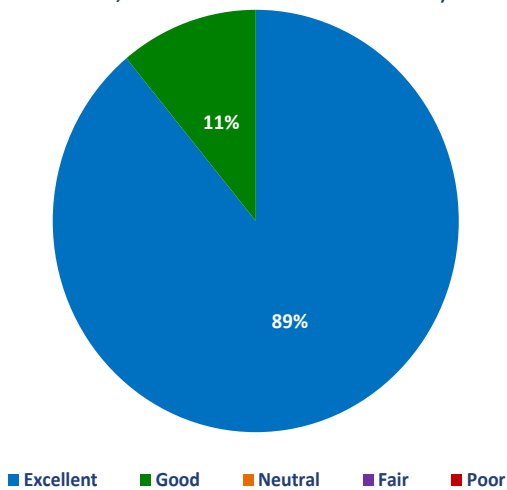
Osteology of the Upper Limb and Lower Limb



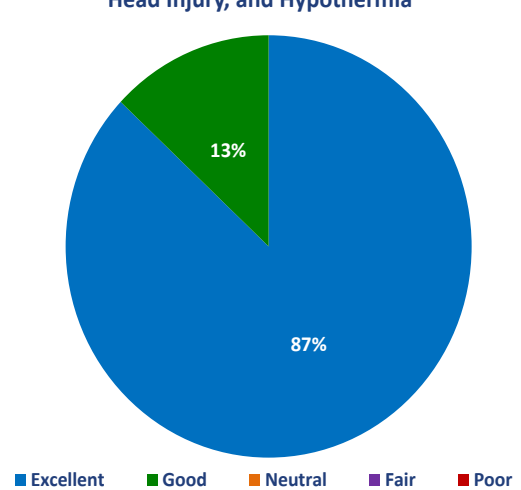
Physiology 1 (ARDS, Brain Death, Bleeding, and Coagulation)



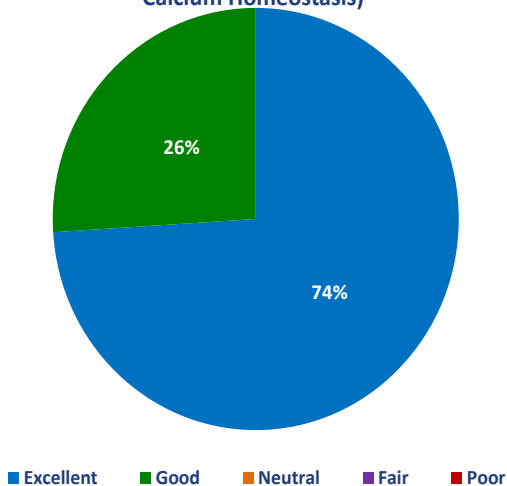
Physiology 2 (Splenic Injury, Necrotising Fasciitis, Fistula, and Enteral and Parenteral Nutrition)



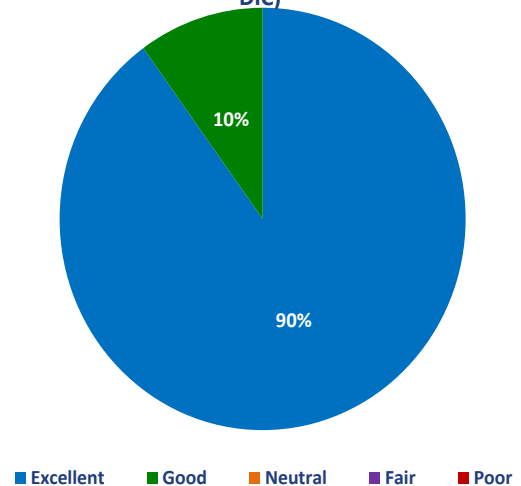
Physiology 2 (ECGs, Pulmonary Embolism, Head Injury, and Hypothermia)



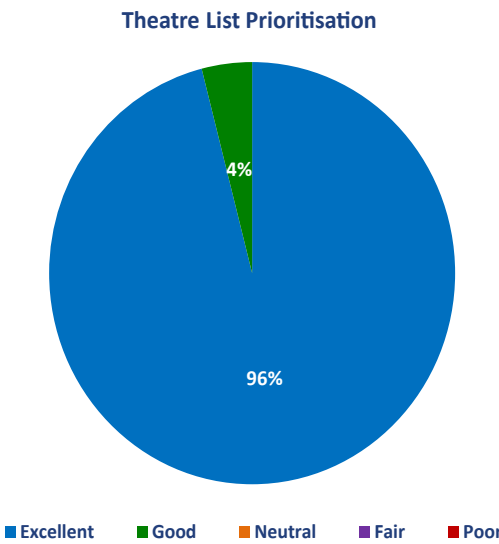
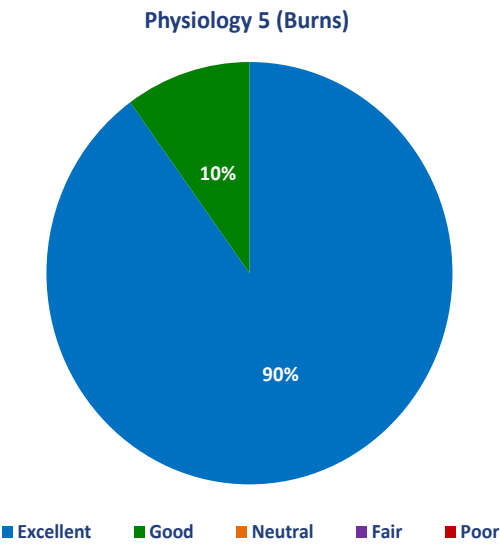
Physiology 3 (Acid Base Balance and Calcium Homeostasis)



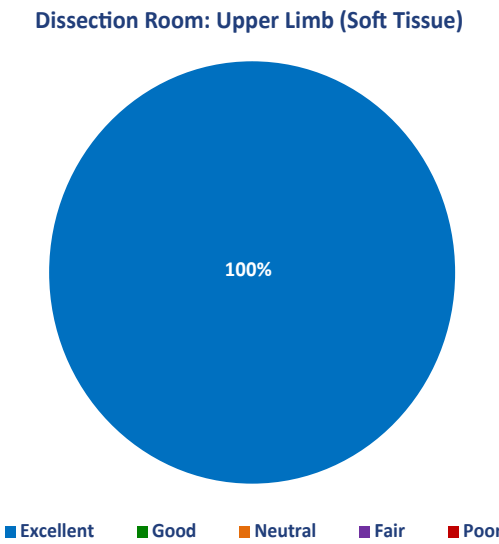
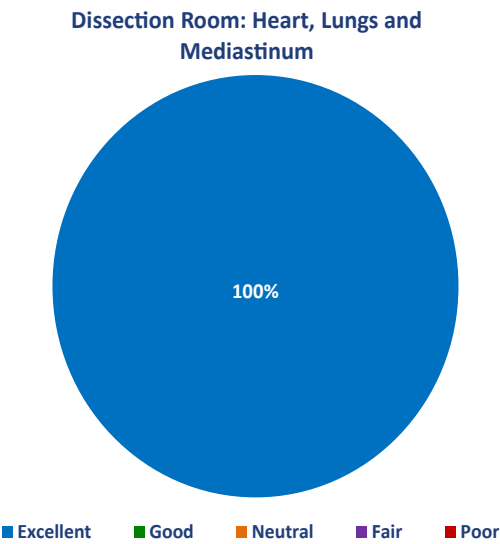
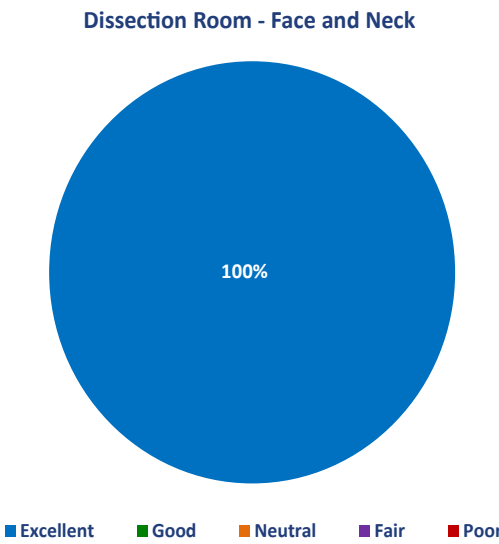
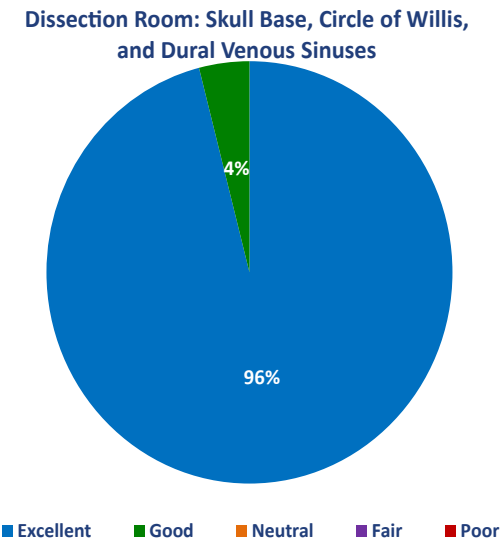
Physiology 4 (Cardiac Physiology, MI, and DIC)



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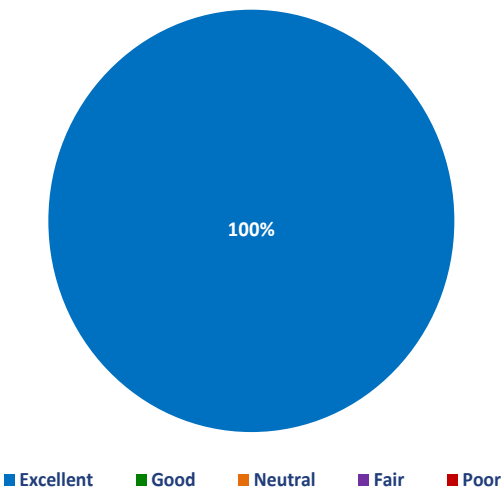


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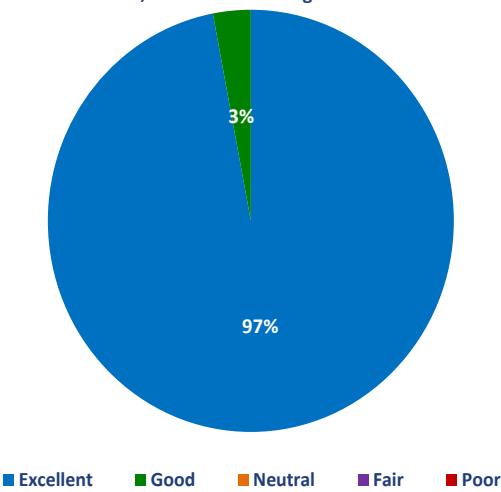


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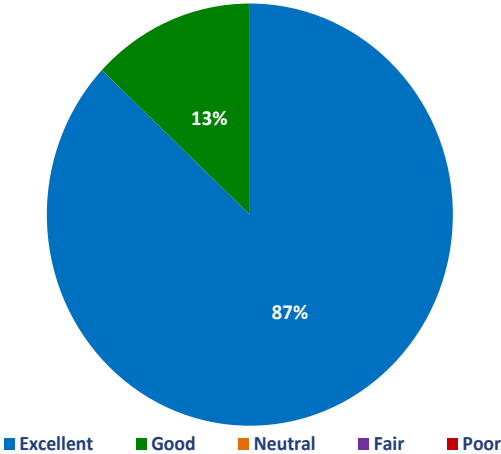
Dissection Room: Lower Limb (Soft Tissue)



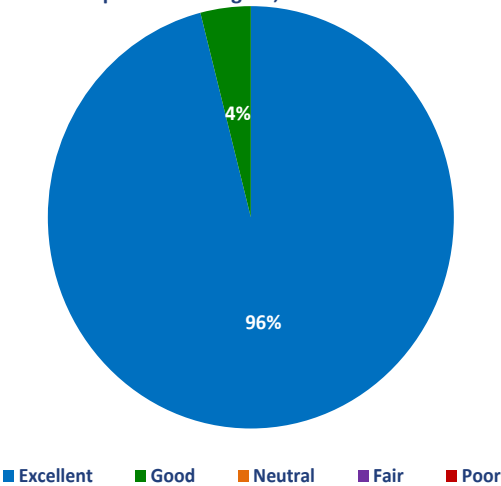
Dissection Room: Anterior Abdominal Wall, Inguinal Canal, and Small and Large Intestine



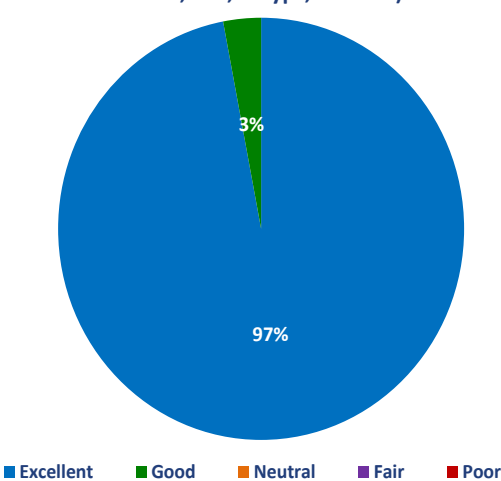
Dissection Room: Solid Organs of the Abdomen (Liver, Spleen, Gallbladder, Pancreas, and Kidneys) and Stomach



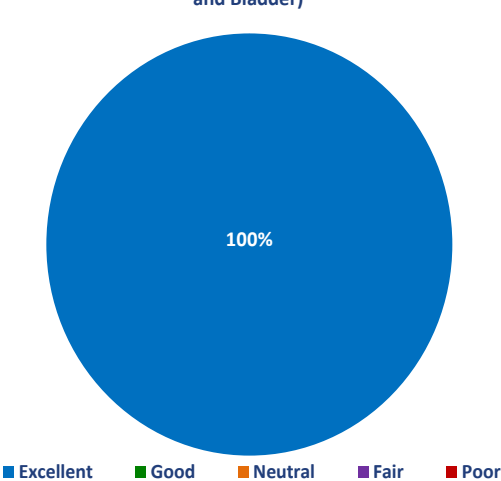
Dissection Room: Pelvis, Male and Female Reproductive Organs, and Vertebrae



Pathology 1: GI Pathology (Dysphagia, Barrett's, IBD, Polyps, Cancers)

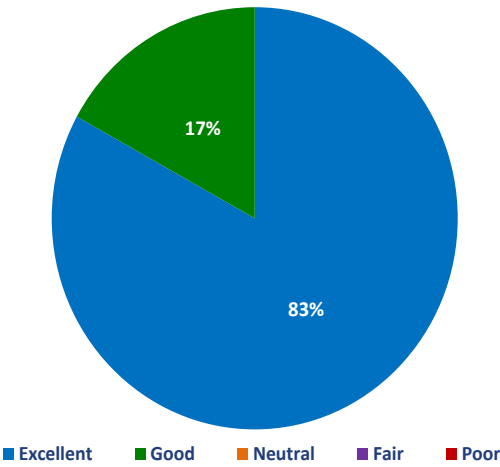


Pathology 2: GU Pathology (Inguinoscrotal Swellings; Cancers of the Testis, Prostate, Kidney, and Bladder)



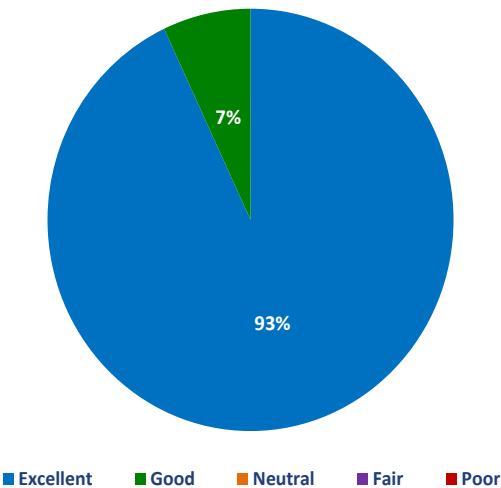
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Pathology 3: Other Pathologies (Tumours of the Lung, Salivary Gland, Brain, and Breast)

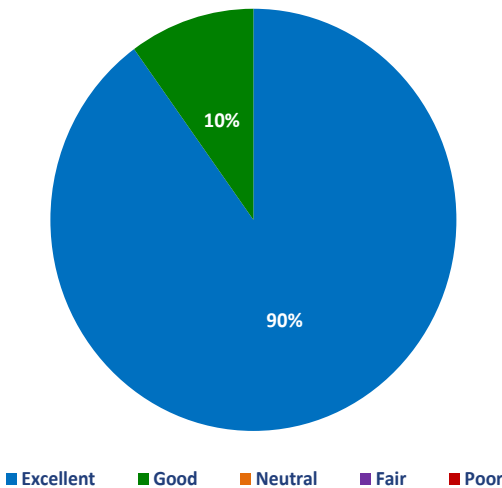


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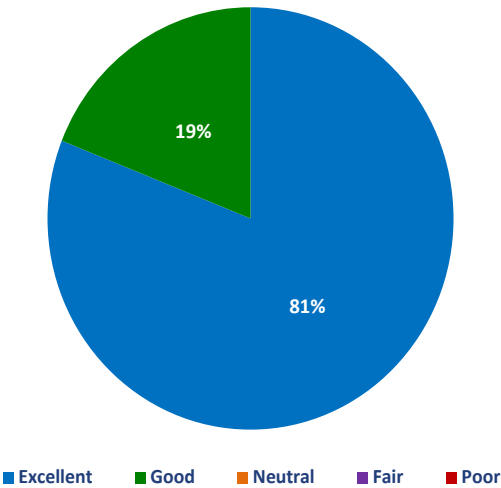
Examination of the Cranial Nerves



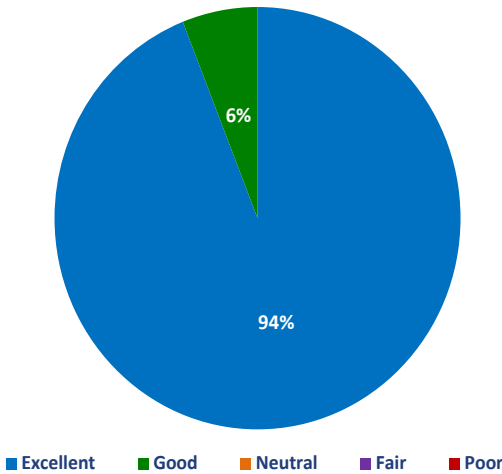
Examination of the Hip and Knee



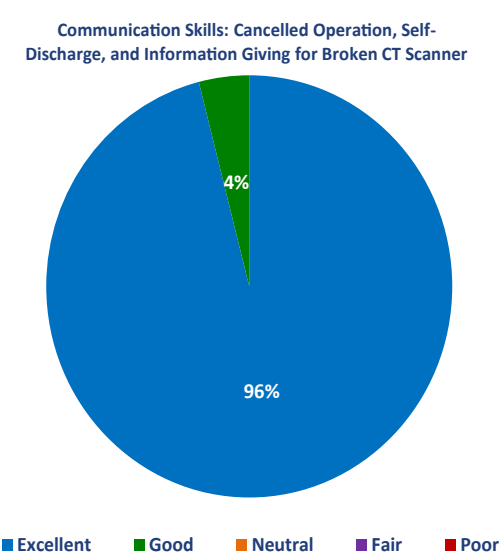
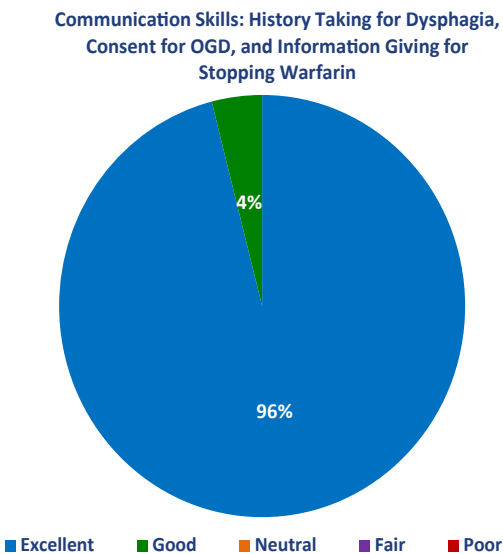
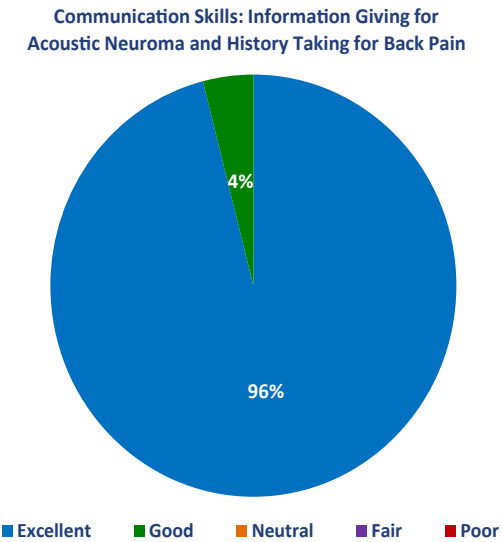
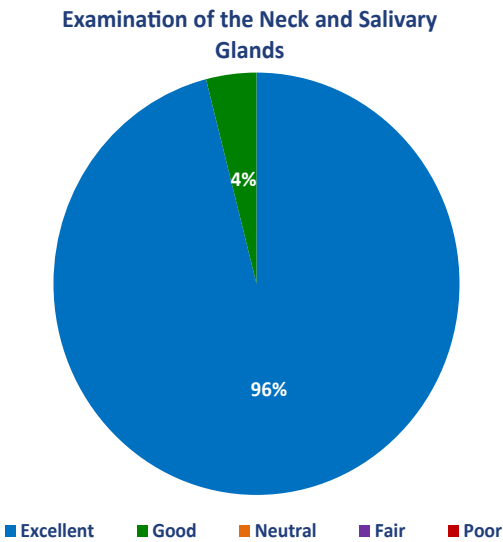
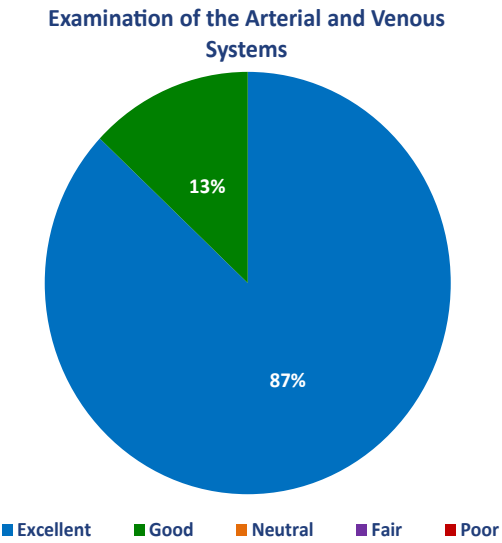
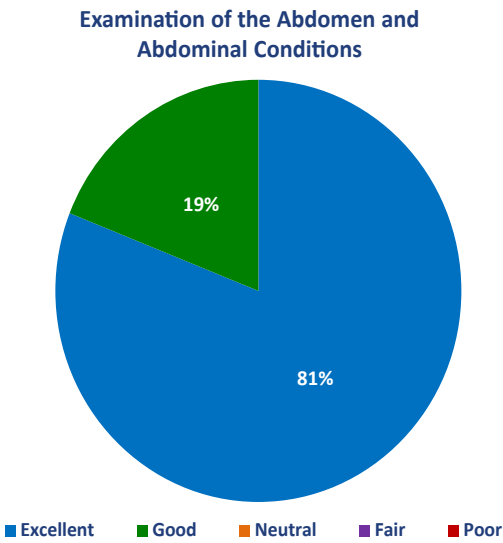
Examination of the Shoulder and Back



Examination of the Cardiorespiratory System

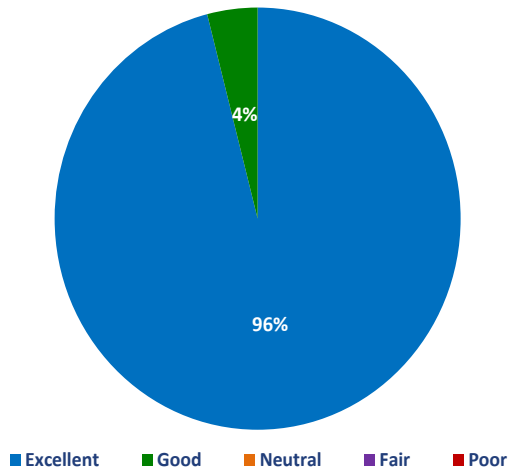


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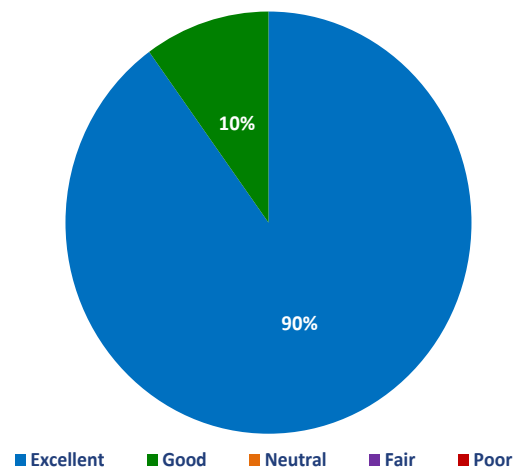


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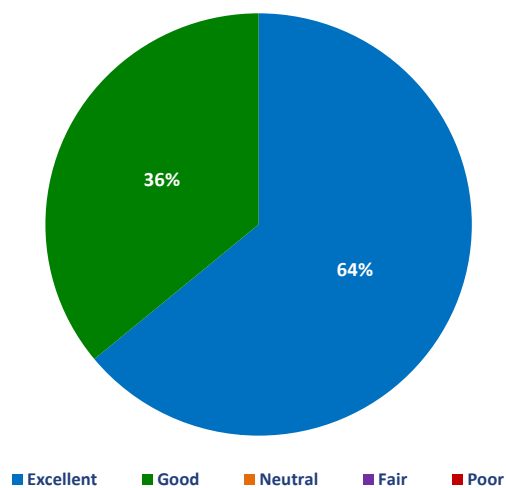
Communication Skills: Consent for Knee Arthroscopy, Information Giving for Fasciotomy, and Telephone Conversation with the Consultant



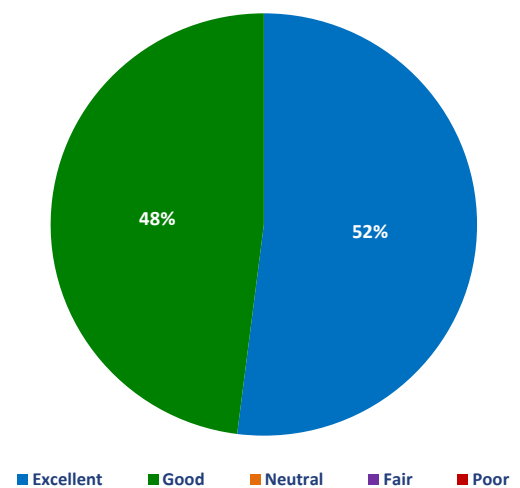
Communication Skills: History Taking for PR Bleed, Consent for Colonoscopy, and Information Giving for Colorectal Cancer



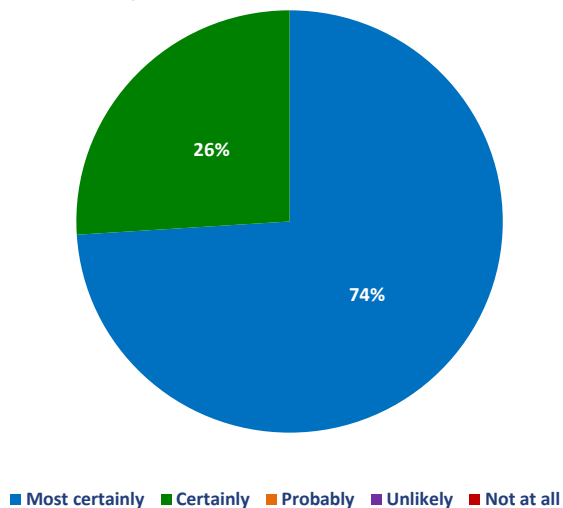
How were the facilities and venue?



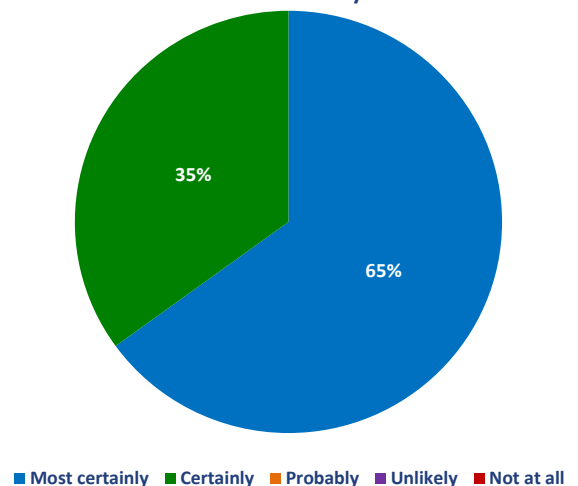
How were the refreshments and lunch?



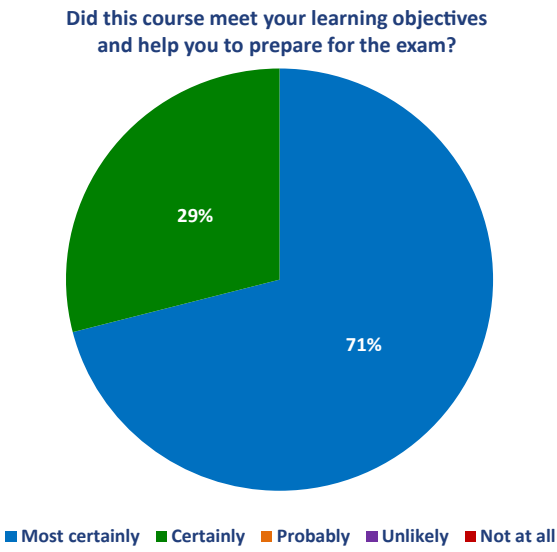
Would you recommend this course to a friend?



Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



Overall Feedback



Individual Comments

All really motivating and knowledgeable.

ES

Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport

Excellent.

SB

Shanghai East Hospital affiliated with Tongji University, Shanghai, China

Very punctual, very informative and friendly atmosphere, helpful and accommodating. Everyone went the extra mile.

MZ

Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport

Faculty were fantastic.

GL

Cheltenham General Hospital, Cheltenham

All the faculty members were excellent. Prof. Enoch explained concepts clearly and I am grateful for this. Dr Thomas (T&O) was an outstanding examiner. The neurosurgeon was also excellent, and the two female examiners (shoulder examination station) were very also very good. The upper GI surgeon created good pressure and was an excellent examiner as well. The communication station (cancelled operation) was very helpful, with constructive feedback from the examiner. All the critical care stations were exceptional, especially with Dr Igor.

MK

Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle Upon Tyne

Absolutely amazing!

ZI

Queen Victoria Hospital, East Grinstead

Professor Enoch was highly motivational.

SJ

Queens Hospital Romford BHRUT

All tutors taught to a very high standard, but special mentions to the osteology station tutor Friday and also the skull base station tutor Saturday, taught in such a simple understandable way. ENT, Cardiothoracic and upper limb were also very good. All these areas I have found previously tricky to get my head around, but now feel they have been demystified. The orthopaedic consultant was also an inspirational teacher. Of course Prof too, who delivered so much of the teaching, yet still remained inspiring and easy to follow along all the way to the end.

AK

Frimley Park Hospital, Frimley

Individual Comments

All faculty excellent and knowledgeable especially those who had recently done the exam.

SN

Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport

Everyone was great and the osteology and neuroanatomy tutor were both particularly encouraging and enthusiastic.

RM

Hull Royal Infirmary, Hull

It was incredible everyone was very dedicated and hard working.

SS

Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, UK

Everyone did an amazing job, especially loved the dissection room.

LA

All faculty very friendly/approachable and delivered very good teaching.

MC

York Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, UK

All the teaching staff were excellent.

AR

Rutgers Health / RWJBarnabas Health

Head and Neck anatomy station and submandibular examination station was excellent. Prof Enoch is a legend!

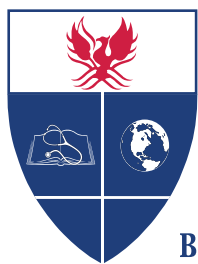
YM

Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust, UK

Very helpful and supportive, especially I am not from here but i felt like home. thank you very much.

AZ

Al-Karama Teaching Hospital



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