

FRCS (General Surgery) Exit Exam Preparation Course

12th - 14th July 2013

Education Centre, The Christie, Manchester, M20 4BX



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Dear Colleague,

We are pleased to inform you that the 2nd Christie FRCS Exit Exam Course in General Surgery was a great success and provided a positive experience for candidates, patients, teaching faculty and the organisers. It was conducted over three days, covering all sub-specialities in general surgery. In addition to providing core knowledge, the unique feature of this course was the opportunity for candidates to practice answering viva questions in a one-to-one fashion, as in the exam, by putting them in the spot!

Most of the interactive teaching was done by Mr. Pradip Datta who has conducted the highly acclaimed Caithness FRCS course in Wick, Scotland for over 20 years. In addition, a number of Consultants from various hospitals in Greater Manchester and beyond actively contributed and taught in the course.

A total of 14 candidates attended the course. At the end of the course, all candidates felt that the course was very useful and opined that it provided them with a clear structure on how to prepare for their exam. A detailed feedback from the candidates can be found in the subsequent pages.

We are very grateful to all the faculty who enthusiastically taught in the course and provided the candidates with inestimable tips and suggestions. We would like to thank The Christie School of Oncology and The Christie who supported the course by providing the facility and administrative assistance. We are also grateful to The Doctors Academy Group for their help in organising, facilitating and marketing the course. Last but not the least, we extend our sincere appreciation to the patients who gave up their time to help the candidates gain valuable clinical experience and enable them pass the exam so that they can progress to become consultants in the future.

We look forward to welcoming you to our next course from the 13th-15th December 2013. Thank you once again.

Course Organisers

Postgraduate Surgical Courses

(On behalf of Christie Hospital and Doctors Academy)

Course Programme

Day 1

- 08.30 Coffee & registration
- 09.05 Format of the FRCS Section 2 - tips on how to succeed
Miss Sarah O'Dwyer , Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, The Christie
- 09.15 Examination techniques - 10 commandments
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital
- 09.30 Upper gastrointestinal tract
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

10.45 Refreshment break

- 11.15 Colon & rectum
Mr Chelliah Selvasekar , Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, The Christie

13.00 Lunch

- 13.45 Anal cancer and pseudomyxoma peritonei
Mr Malcolm Wilson , Consultant Colorectal Surgeon, The Christie

15.15 Refreshment break

- 15.45 Vascular surgery
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

17.30 Close of Day 1

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Day 2

08.30	Trauma, emergency surgery <i>Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital</i>
09.30	Critical care (including applied physiology) <i>Dr Vidya Kasipandian , Consultant in Critical Care and Anaesthesia, The Christie</i>

10.30 Refreshment break

11.00	Academic viva	All faculty
	<i>Mr Tunde Campbell</i>	<i>Mr Pradip Datta</i>
	<i>Dr Kantappa Gajanan</i>	<i>Mr Christopher Halloran</i>
	<i>Mr Arif Khan</i>	<i>Miss Sarah O'Dwyer</i>
	<i>Mr Siriam Rajagopalan</i>	<i>Mr Abdus Samee</i>
	<i>Mr Chelliah Selvasekar</i>	<i>Mr Siba Senapati</i>
	<i>Mr Nick Stylianides</i>	<i>Mr Roop Tandon</i>
		<i>Mr Stuart Enoch</i>
		<i>Dr Vidya Kasipandian</i>
		<i>Mr Kishore Pursnani</i>
		<i>Mr Thomas Satyadas</i>
		<i>Mr Aali Sheen</i>
		<i>Mr Sudeep Thomas</i>

13.00 Lunch

13.45	Clinical case presentation & discussion
	<i>All faculty</i>
Endocrine	<i>Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital</i>
Transplant surgery, AV Fistula, CAPD	<i>Mr Tunde Campbell</i>
Colorectal/PTS	<i>Mr Chelliah Selvasekar</i>
Upper GI/Hepatobiliary	<i>Mr Siba Senapati</i>
Breast	<i>Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital</i>
Vascular	<i>Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital</i>
17.30	Close
18.30	Course dinner

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Day 3

09.00 Hepatobiliary, pancreas and spleen
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

10.15 Thyroid and endocrines
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

11.00 Refreshment break

11.30 Non malignant lower GI & breast conditions
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

13.00 Lunch

13.45 Scenario based critical care
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

15.30 Basic urology, head & neck and skin conditions
Mr Pradip Datta , Honorary Consultant Surgeon, Caithness General Hospital

17.00 Evaluations and close

Faculty List

Mr Tunde Campbell, MBBS, FWACS, FRCSEd (Gen Surg)

Consultant Transplant Surgeon
Central Manchester University Hospitals

Mr Pradip Datta MBE, MS, FRCS (Ed), FRCS (Eng), FRCS (Irel), FRCS (Glasg)

Principal Course Tutor
Honorary Consultant Surgeon
Caithness General Hospital

Mr Stuart Enoch, MB, PhD, MRCS (Eng & Edin)

Programme Director
Doctors Academy Group

Mr Kantappa Gajanan, MBBS, MS

Specialist Doctor in Plastic Surgery
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Christopher Halloran, BSc, MBChB, MD, FRCS (Gen Surg)

Clinical Senior Lecturer
Consultant Pancreato-Biliary Surgeon
Director NIHR Clinical Trials Unit, Liverpool

Dr Vidya Kasipandian, FRCA, FFICM

Consultant in Critical Care and Anaesthesia
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Arif Khan, FRCSEd, FRCS

Consultant Surgeon
Leighton Hospital

Miss Sarah O'Dwyer, MD, FRCS

Consultant Colorectal Surgeon
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Kishore Pursnani, MBBS, FRCS (Glas)

Consultant Upper GI Surgeon
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals

Mr Siriam Rajagopalan, MBBS, FRCS (Urol)

Consultant in Vascular Surgery
University Hospital North Staffordshire

Mr Abdus Samee, MS, FRCS, MD, FRCS (Gen Surg)

Surgical Registrar
University Hospital of North Staffordshire

Faculty List

Mr Thomas Satyadas FRCS (ED) FRCS (Eng) FRCS (Gen Surg)

Consultant General Surgeon
Central Manchester University Hospitals

Mr Chelliah Selvasekar, MD, FRCS

Course Convener
Consultant Colorectal Surgeon
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Siba Senapati, MS, FRCS, FRCS (Gen)

Upper GI Surgeon
Salford Royal Hospital

Mr Aali Sheen, MD, FRCS (Eng), FRCS (Gen)

Consultant Hepatobiliary Surgeon
Manchester Royal Infirmary

Mr Nick Stylianides, FRCS (Gen Surg)

Speciality Registrar in Surgery
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Roop Tandon, MBBS, FRCS

Surgical Skills Tutor – Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
Formerly, Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Wolverhampton Hospital

Mr Sudeep Thomas, MBBS, MS, FRCS (Gen Surg)

Minimal Access Colorectal Fellow
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

Mr Malcolm Wilson, MD, FRCS

Consultant Colorectal Surgeon
The Christie Hospital, Manchester

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Comments from Individual Candidates

Emphasis in general surgery and emergency, which is good. Lots of opportunity to be grilled over the weekend! Three days was a good length; didn't need to take much S/L or A/L. The overall organisation, structure and content of the course was excellent.

- Ms Kat McEvoy, SpR,
West Midlands Deanery



The entire course was based on 'tips and tricks' to pass the exam. The content was delivered in a way for us to have 'take home' messages for every section - very useful for exam preparation.

- Mr Ramana Kallam,
SpR, Yorkshire Deanery



Academic and clinical viva were the best part of the course. The overall organization of the event was excellent. The speakers were effective and I would strongly recommend this course to others.

- Ms. Rachael Johnson, SpR,
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital



Clinical and Academic sections were very good. Practice of discussion and presentation technique was the best part of the course. The structure and content of the course was excellent.

- Mr Chris Houlden,
Registrar, West Wales General Hospital

Excellent course for revision. The structure and the content of the course, and the overall organization of the event were excellent. Would certainly recommend this course to others.

- Mr Nasir Khan,
Registrar, United Lincolnshire Hospitals
NHS Trust



I enjoyed the Interactive nature of the course and the clinical examination. Very enjoyable & has taken a lot of the fear away & helped me think how best to structure the next phase of my revision.

- Ms Lisa Caldon,
SpR, University of Sheffield

General comments:

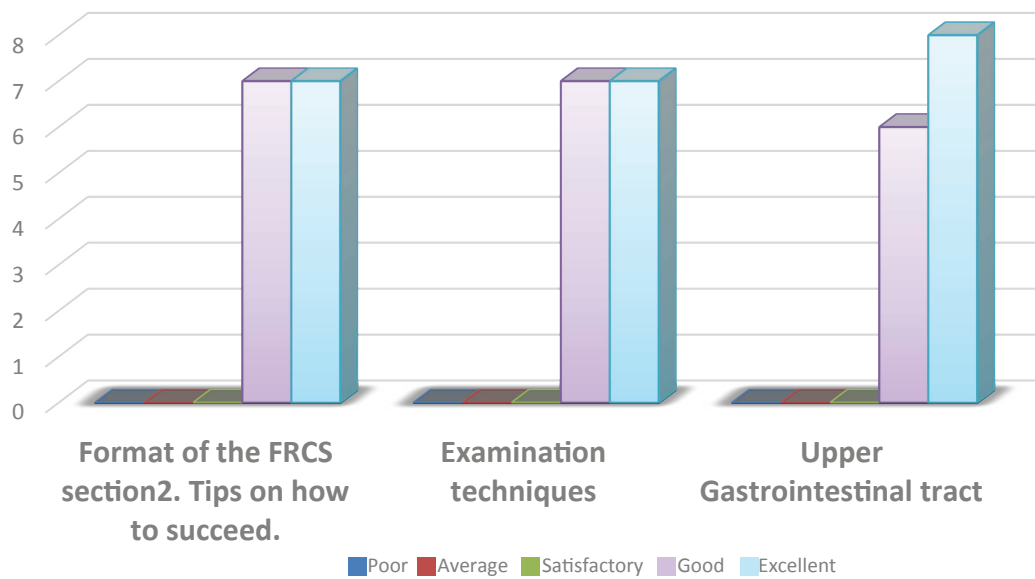
- Clinical examination practice with real patients - excellent session. Good overview of theory and practical. The overall organisation of the event was excellent.
- All the lectures by Mr Datta were very good. The format of the course is very helpful. Course material was very useful.
- The course covered the entire syllabus. The clinical examinations were excellent. Mr Datta is very academic with very good knowledge! Excellent overall.



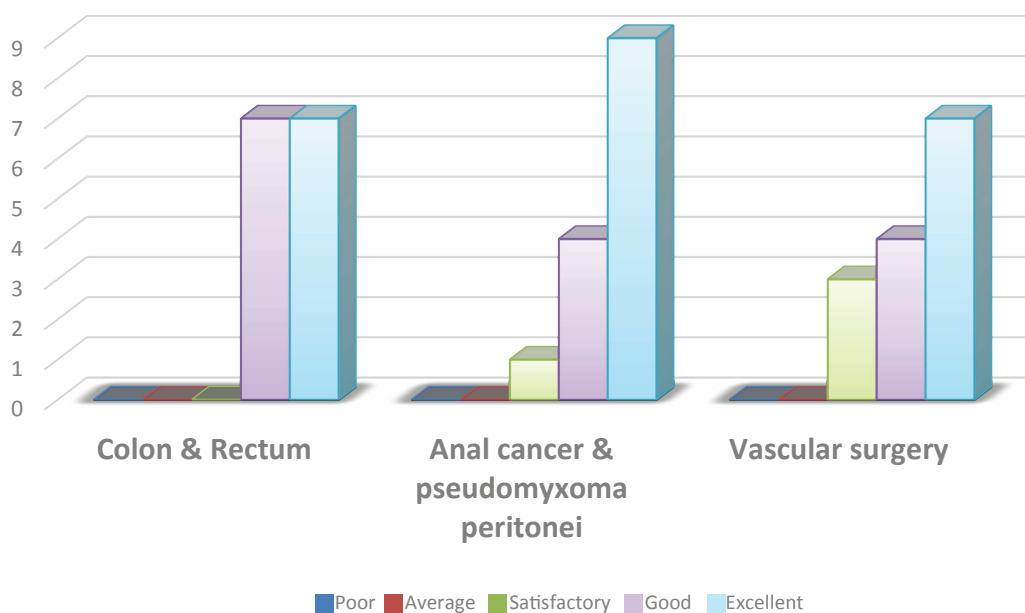
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Individual Sessions and Overview of Course

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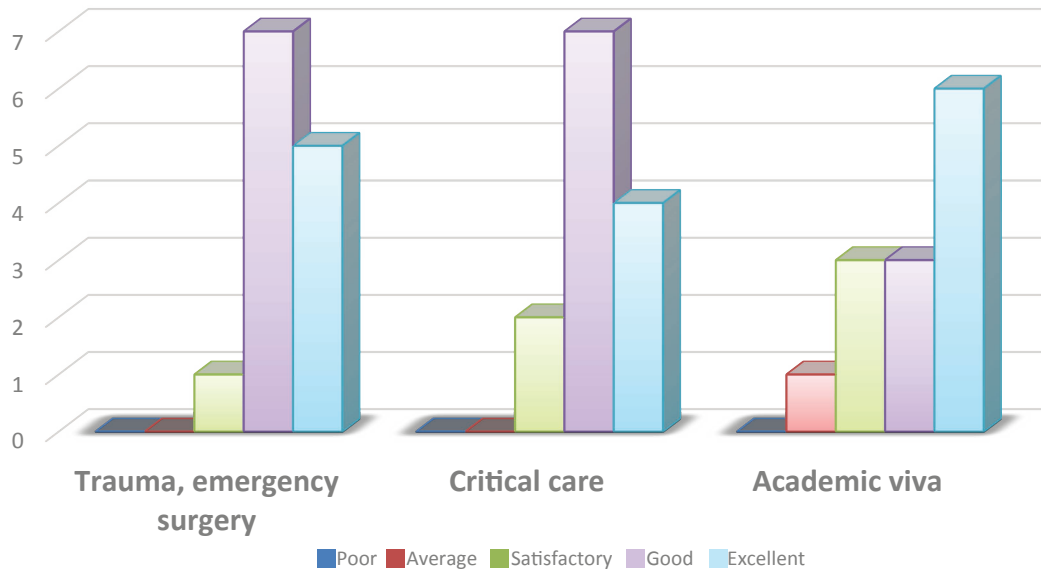


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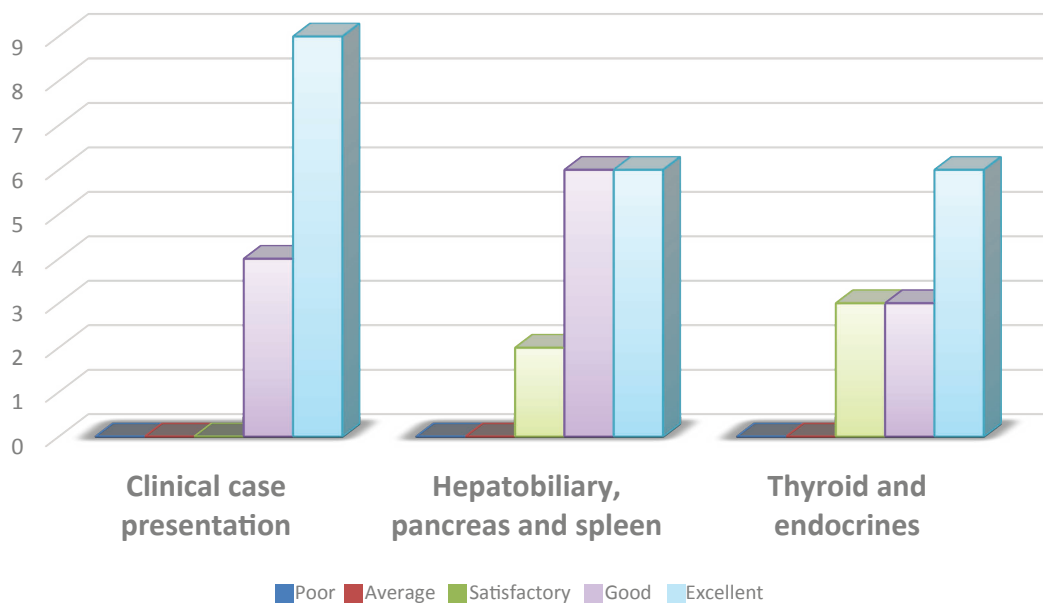


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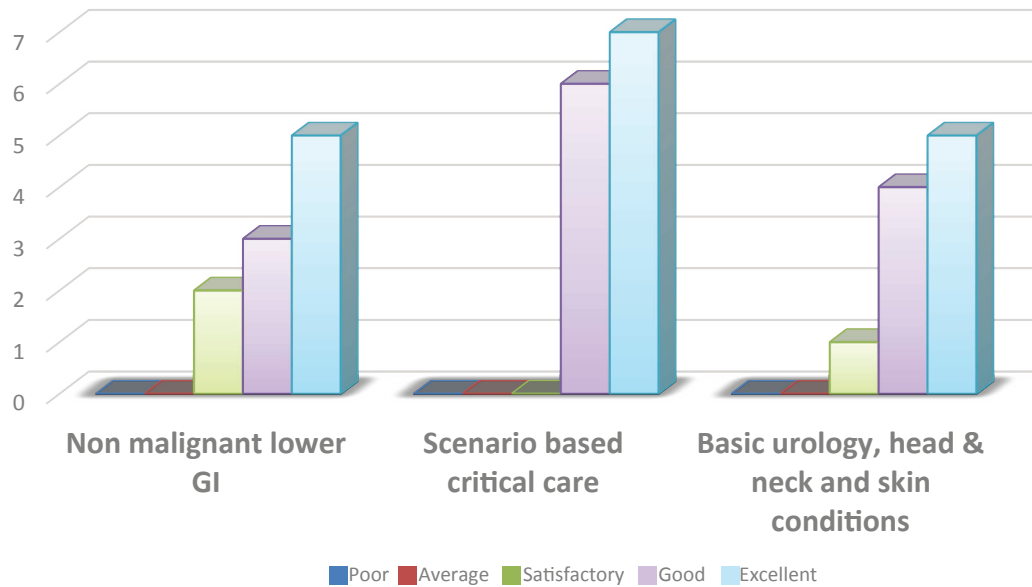


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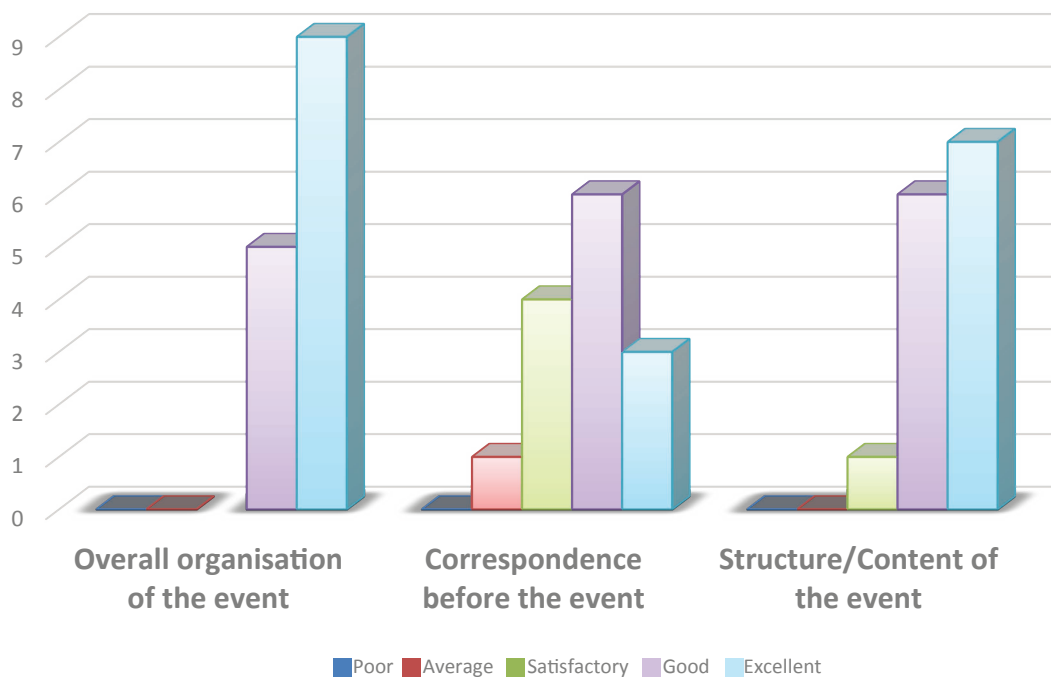


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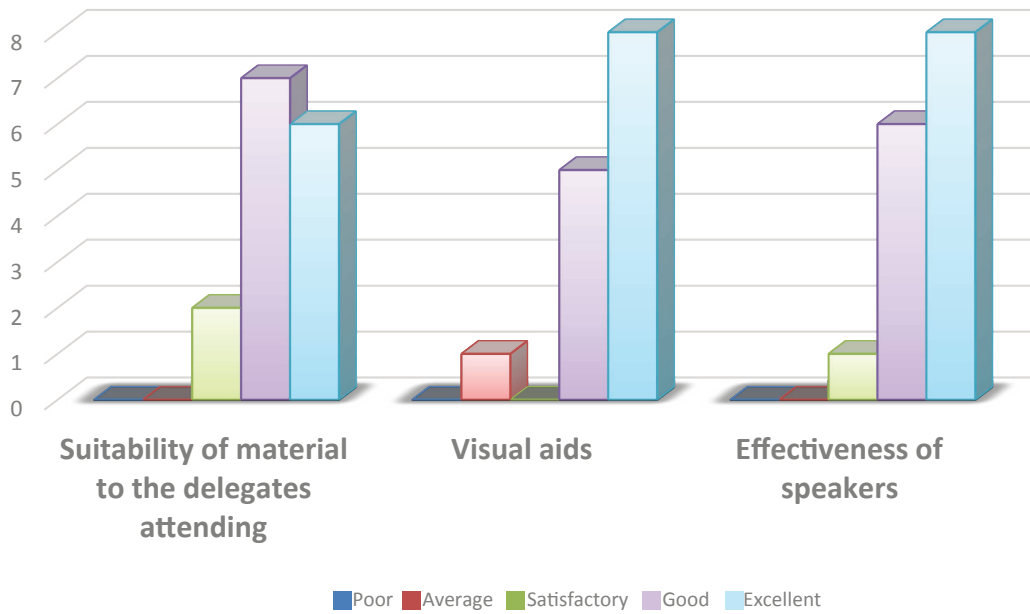


Overview of Course (1)

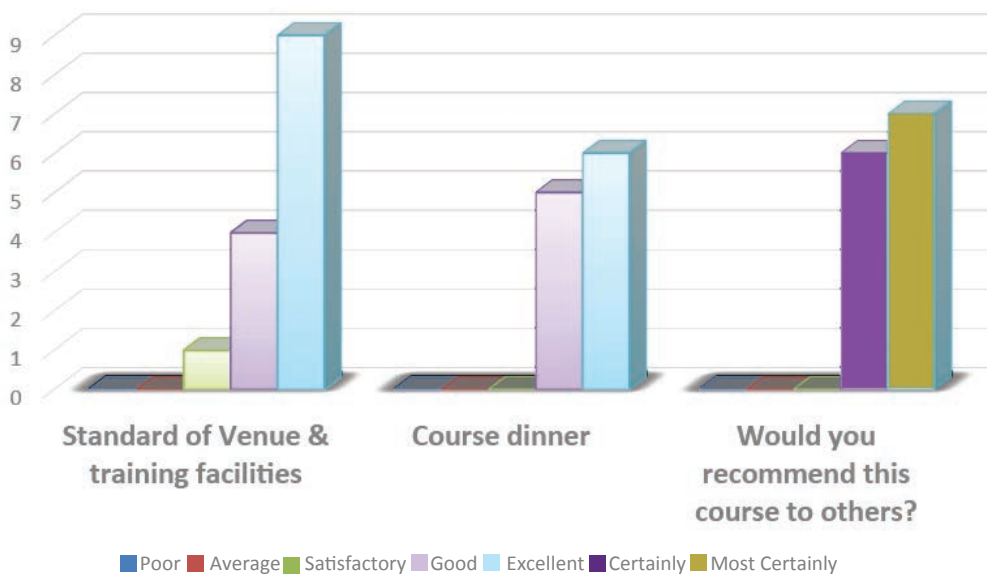


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Overview of Course (2)



Overview of Course (3)





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