

**Cardiff DOHNS Course:  
Intensive Revision for  
DOHNS OSCE / MRCS (ENT)**

**Feedback - February 2020**

## Cardiff DOHNS Course: Intensive Revision for DOHNS OSCE / MRCS (ENT)

This intensive one-day course aimed to provide a focused revision for the DOHNS Clinical/OSCE exam and was aimed at trainees with a specialist interest in ENT surgery and qualified ENT surgeons.

The contents included clinical topics that regularly feature in the exam, encompassing:

- o Gross and microscopic anatomy of key areas.
- o Identification and management of common ENT pathologies.
- o Video and radiological analysis of important conditions.
- o Interpretation of specialist investigations.
- o Run-through of numerous communication skills scenarios including focused history taking and consenting.
- o Familiarization with surgical and emergency equipment.
- o Practicing pertinent clinical skills required for the exam.
- o Strong emphasis on the clinical application of knowledge and perfecting the examination skills.

The course concluded with a mock OSCE examination, which provided the opportunity for individuals to put into practice the skills they had acquired in front of real examiners under real exam conditions.

### Course Information

<b>Course Date:</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> February 2020</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>School of Biosciences, Cardiff University</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>22 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Delegates looking to take the DOHNS Clinical/OSCE exam.</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£235.00</b>



## Course Programme

0810 – 0820

### Registration

Welcome and Introduction to Course

Mr D. Yap and Prof S. Enoch

0820 – 0920

### Session A: Group Demonstrations

- Neck Examination and Flexible Nasoendoscopy
- Ear Examination
- Vestibular Assessment
- Cranial Nerve Examination

0920 – 1030

### Session B: Group Lectures (2x35mins; combined)

- Nose, Paranasal Sinuses and Oral Cavity – Mr D. Yap
- Skull Base Anatomy – Prof S. Enoch

1030 – 1050

Break for Refreshments

1050 – 1300

### Session C: Communication Skills (4x30 mins; parallel)

- History Taking
- Breaking Bad News
- Information Giving
- Consent

Mr H. Ben Amer / Ms R. Bance / Mr D. Yap / Mr F. Khalid

1300 – 1340

Lunch Break

Additional Lecture: “How To Pass The OSCE” - Mr D. Yap

## Course Programme

1345 – 1700

### VIVA AND OSCE

*Co-Ordinator: Prof S. Enoch and Ms R. Williams*

There will be viva and OSCE stations, with additional rest stations, run under exam conditions. Some stations are manned and some are unmanned; these will run in conjunction as in the exam. Every candidate will go through all stations. Each viva and OSCE station will be for six minutes.

Examiners:

**Mr H. Ben Amer / Ms R. Bance / Mr D. Yap / Mr F. Khalid**

**1700 – 1715**

**Break for Refreshments**

**1715 – 1815**

**Session D: Group Lectures (2x30 mins; combined)**

- Ear – Mr D. Yap
- Larynx, Neck and Thyroid Gland – Ms R. Bance

**1815 – 1900**

**Session E: Group Lecture (45 mins)**

Hearing and Balance Analysis – Mr D. Yap

**1900**

**Summary and End of Course**

## Faculty List

**Mr Darren Yap, MRCS(ENT), DOHNS**

Specialist Registrar in Otolaryngology  
Wexham Park Hospital, Slough

**Mr Farhan Khalid, BDS, MFDS, FFD, MBChB, MRCSEd**

Specialist Registrar in MaxFax Surgery  
Arrowe Park Hospital, Wirral

**Mr Hussein Ben Amer, MBChB, MRCS**

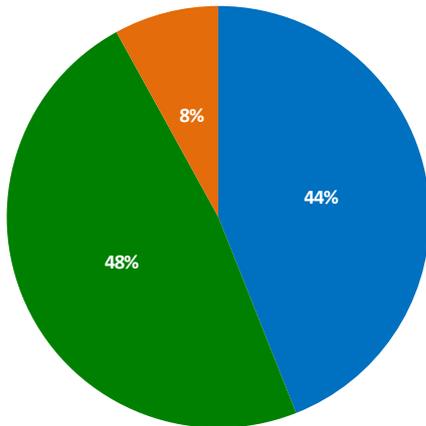
Registrar in Otolaryngology  
Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport

**Mrs Rujuta Bance, MBBS, BSc, MRCS, MRCS(ENT)**

Specialist Registrar in Otolaryngology  
Lister Hospital, Stevenage

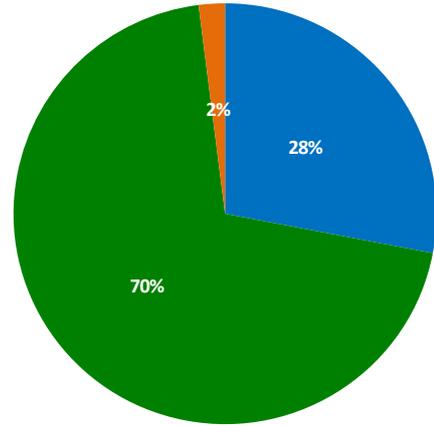
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How was the clarity of the PowerPoint presentations?



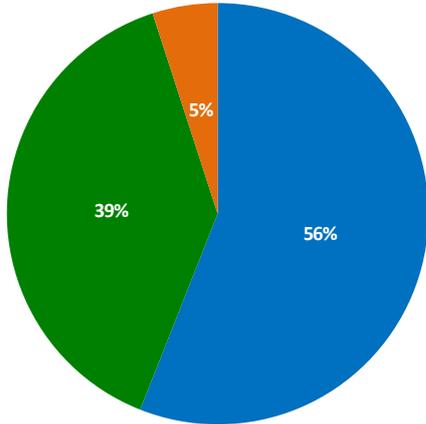
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the lectures?



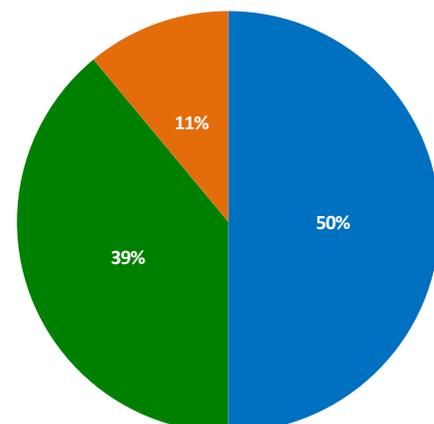
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How would you rate the sessions on communication skills?



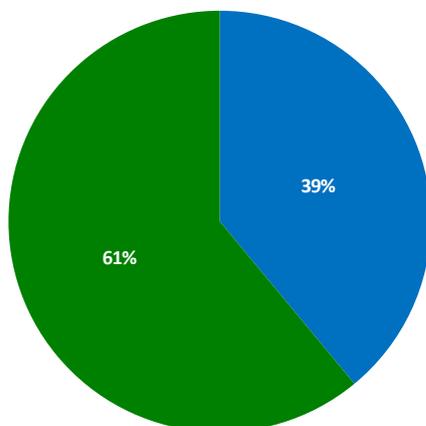
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How do you rate the relevance of the course to your exam?



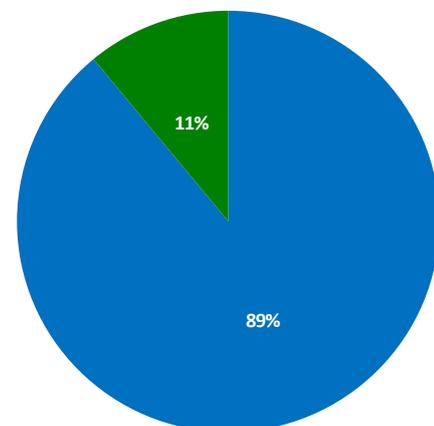
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How useful was the mock OSCE (unmanned stations)?



■ Very useful ■ Useful ■ Neutral ■ Limited usefulness ■ Useless

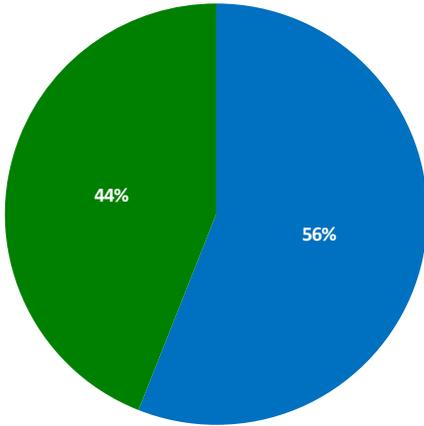
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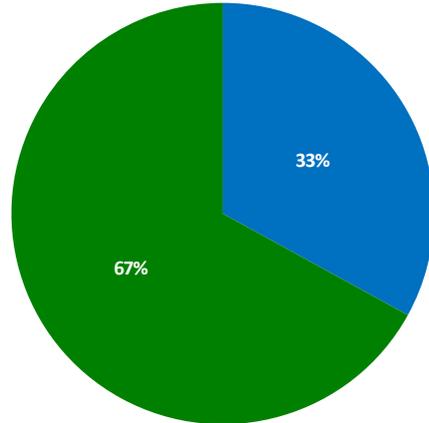
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Do you feel that the course met your objectives for attending?



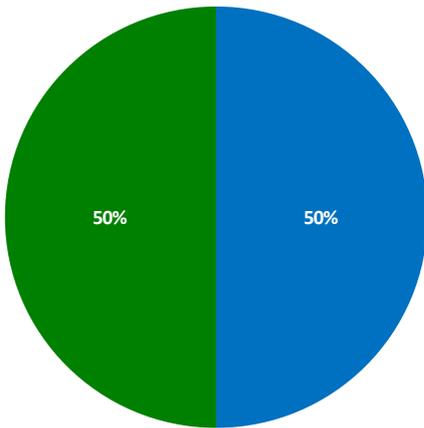
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ A small amount ■ Not at all

Neck Examination



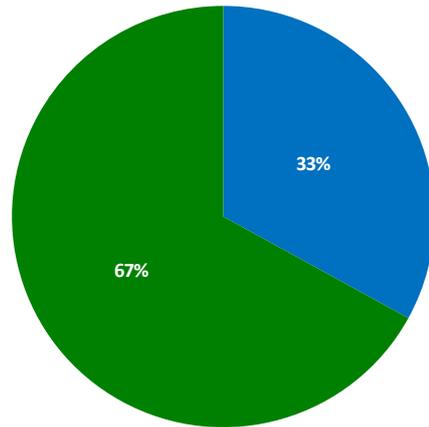
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Flexible Nasoendoscopy



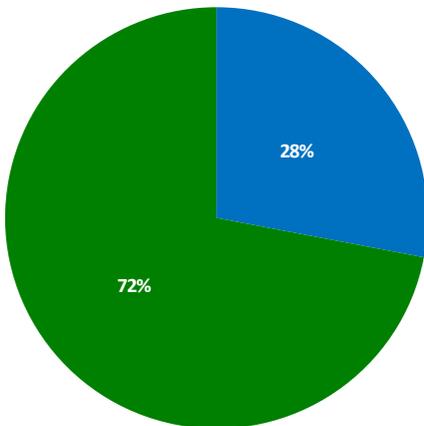
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Ear Examination



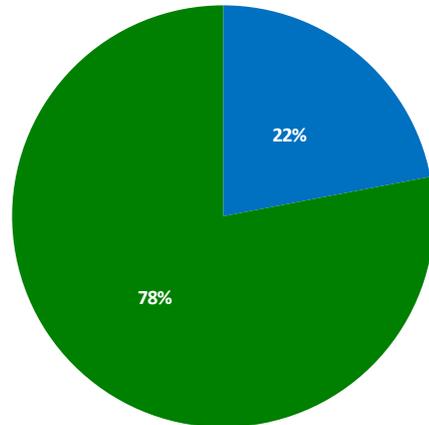
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Vestibular Assessment



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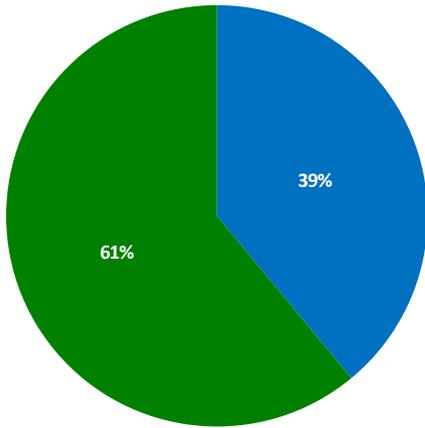
Cranial Nerve Examination



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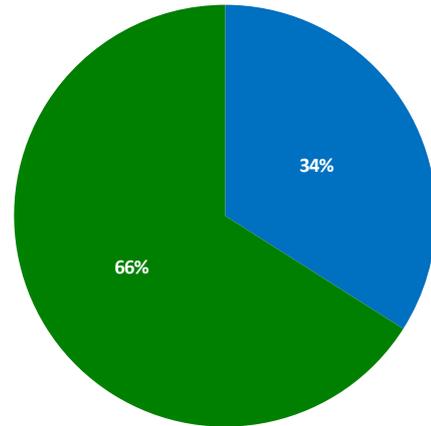
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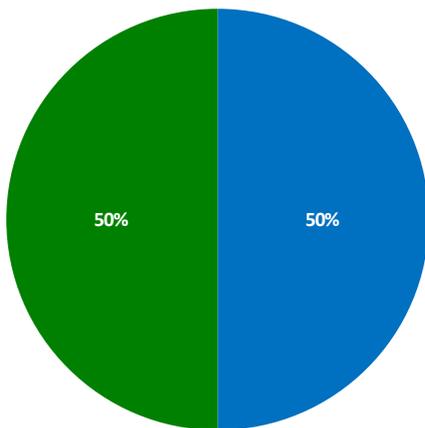
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Nose, Paranasal Sinuses and Oral Cavity



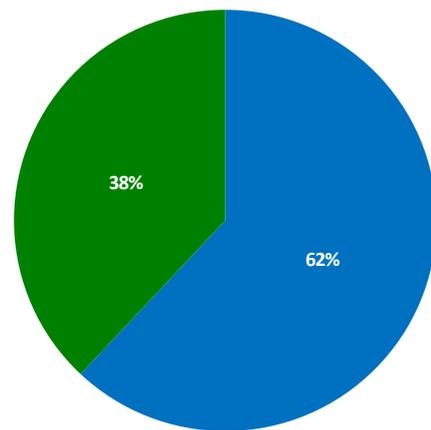
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History Taking



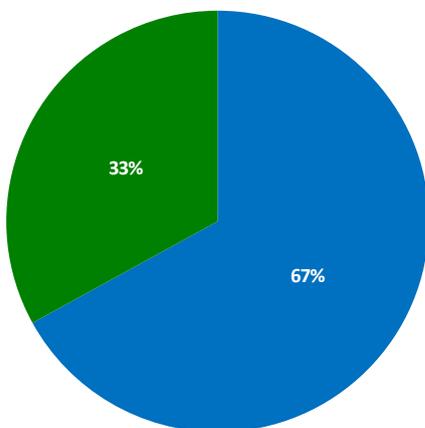
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Information Giving



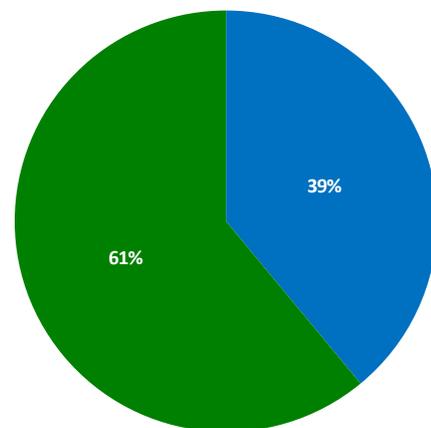
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Consent



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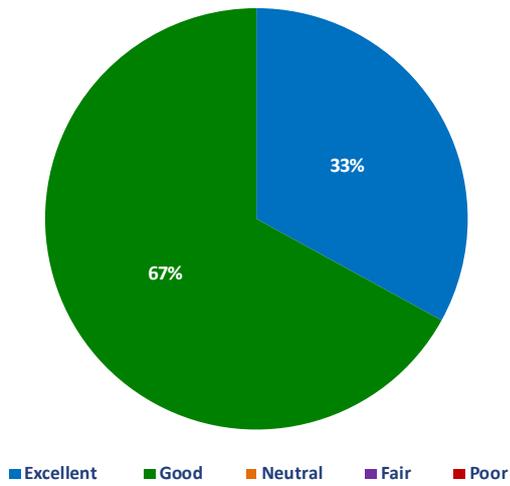
Skull Base and Face Anatomy



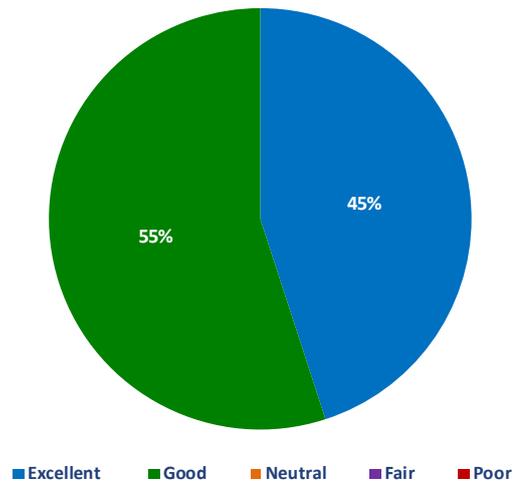
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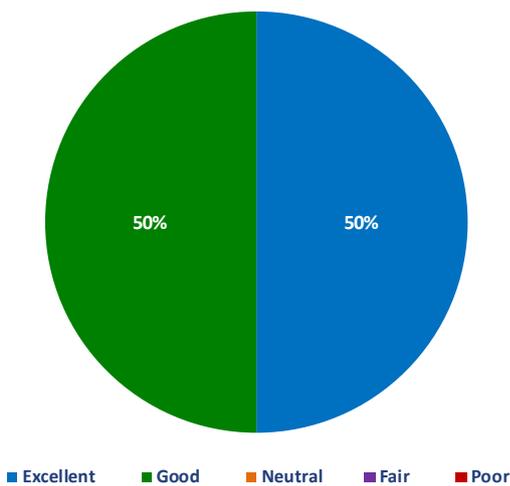
Neck, Larynx and Thyroid Pathologies



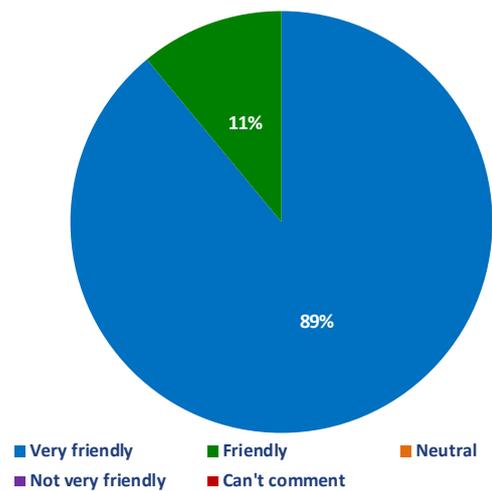
Hearing and Balance Analysis



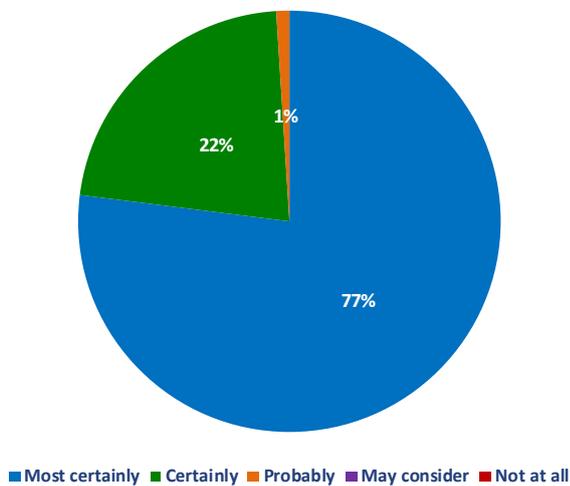
How were the facilities and venue?



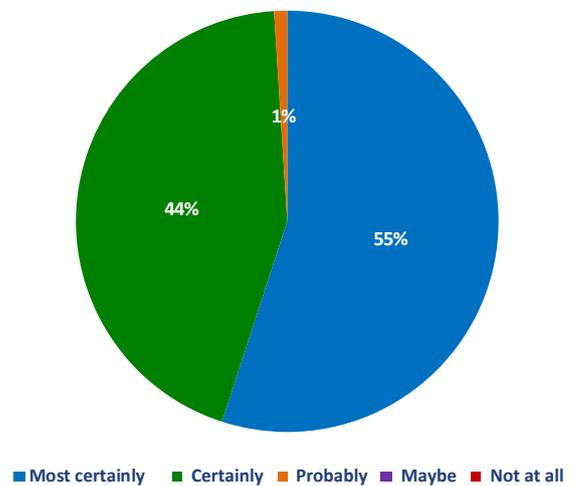
How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



Would you recommend this course to a friend?

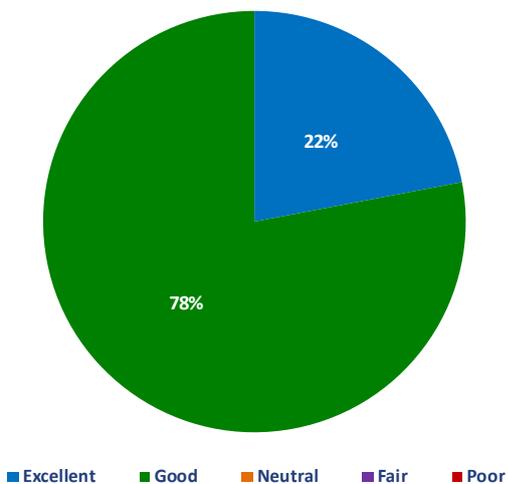


Do you think that this course provided good value for money?

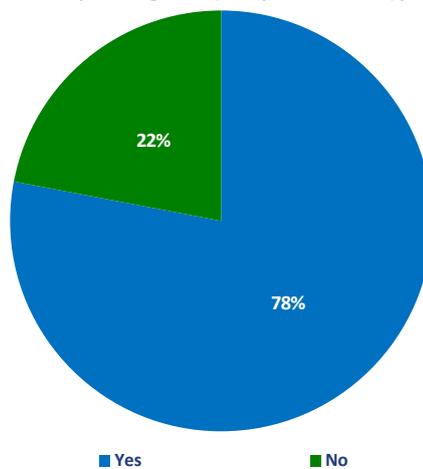


# Overall Teaching Feedback

How were the refreshments and lunch?



Would you be interested in becoming a trainee faculty after you have passed your exam and secured your Registrar (or equivalent level) job?



## Individual Comments

It was good.

**VB**

***Royal Wolverhampton Hospitals NHS Trust, United Kingdom***

It helped me to gain confidence in my skills and the topics were very relevant.

**PW**

***Manchester Royal Infirmary, Manchester, United Kingdom***

Overall, it was a good course that focused on the key points of the upcoming exam. It definitely made me feel more confident and more aware. I feel that examinations, particularly of the ear, neck and FNE, should be demonstrated like manned stations (i.e. in small groups where participants are given the opportunity to perform examinations). It would help each individual to be aware of his/her own deficiencies. I would definitely recommend this course to others planning on appearing for the DOHNS examination and hope that one day I will be able to become a trainee faculty for this course.

**SF**

Overall, it was both good and informative.

**MA**

***Saham Hospital, Saham, Oman***

This was a very organised course. The faculty and their feedback was good. I very much enjoyed it and found it useful to kickstart my revision for the exam in June.

**JB**

***Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge, United Kingdom***

The course gave a direction regarding how to prepare for the exam. The mock OSCE and manned revision stations were excellent.

**PM**

***Career Break***

Everything was well conducted and timely. The conductors were very helpful and friendly. It was excellently taught and motivated. I will definitely recommend this course to others. Thank you so much!

**NA**

***Indiana Hospital and Heart Institute, Mangalore, India***

I was expecting other examinations such as nose, oral cavity and cranial nerve examinations to be taught, but the teaching was excellent. They tried to cover all of the topics which was good. I really liked the coaching; I would have loved to have attended the Focused Communication Course as well.

**SM**

***Meenakshi ENT Specialty Centre, Bengaluru, India***

## Individual Comments

The mock exams provided very good practice before the exam. The books weren't able to be delivered to places outside of the UK by post: if that could be fixed, it would be great.

**DN**

*S L Raheja Hospital, Mahim, Mumbai, India*

It was certainly a wonderful programme for candidates who had no idea about how the DOHNS OSCE is conducted. It was also useful for abroad students to get a perfect picture of how the manned stations should be done. I especially learnt a lot from the communication skills programme on the second day.

**MK**

*Apollo Hospital, Hyderabad, India*



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