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**Cardiff DOHNS Course:  
Focused Communication Skills  
for DOHNS OSCE / MRCS (ENT)**



**Feedback - October 2021**

## Cardiff DOHNS Course: Focused Communication Skills for DOHNS OSCE / MRCS (ENT)

This half-day course allowed the delegate to prepare for the communication skills component of the DOHNS MRCS Part B (OSCE) / MRCS (ENT) examination in a focused and friendly setting. Each delegate received one-to-one tuition, which enabled him or her to identify areas of weakness within this field and to improve upon these.

This one-to-one tuition was particularly relevant for those with limited experience in the UK hospital setting and those who had not done all of their training in the UK. It allowed the delegate to develop an insight into and to prepare for the communication skills that are tested in the examination, which are based on standard doctor-patient interaction within a clinical setting. This included information giving, information gathering, history taking, breaking bad news, and consent.

Delivered by surgeons and advanced linguistic specialists, the teaching session focused more on the literary and linguistic aspects, British phrases, colloquial terminologies, mannerisms, and interpersonal skills - all within the context of the DOHNS exam.

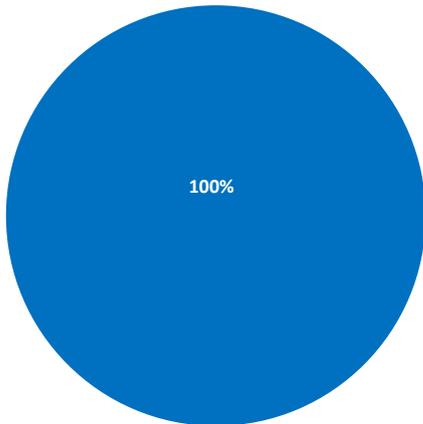
### Course Information

<b>Course Date:</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Frazer Building, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>11 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Candidates Preparing for the DOHNS OSCE / MRCS (ENT) Examination</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£150.00</b>



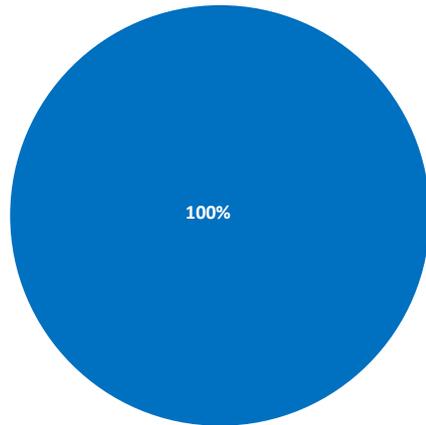
# Overall Feedback

Did the session help you to improve your overall communication skills pertinent to the exam?



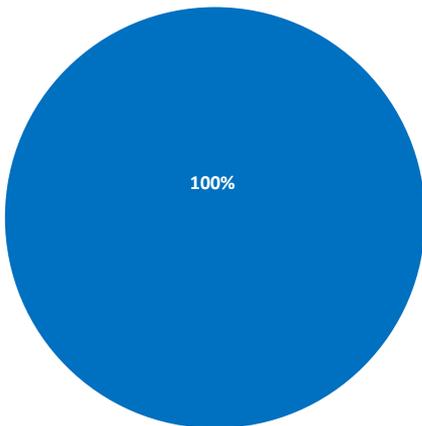
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ A small amount ■ Not at all

Do you now feel more confident in breaking bad news in an exam setting?



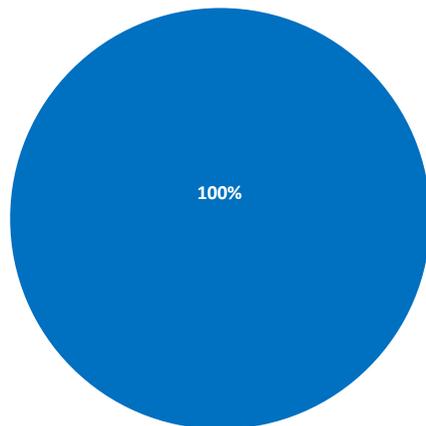
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ A small amount ■ Not at all

Do you now feel more confident in obtaining consent in an exam setting?



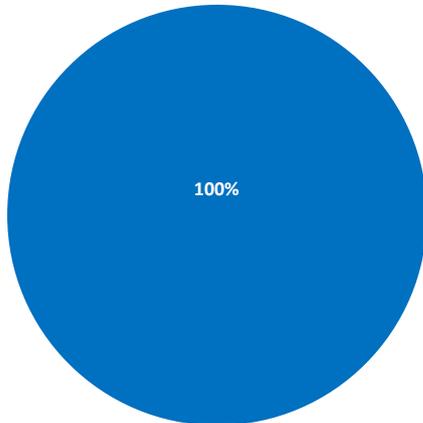
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ A small amount ■ Not at all

Do you now feel more confident in taking history in an exam setting?



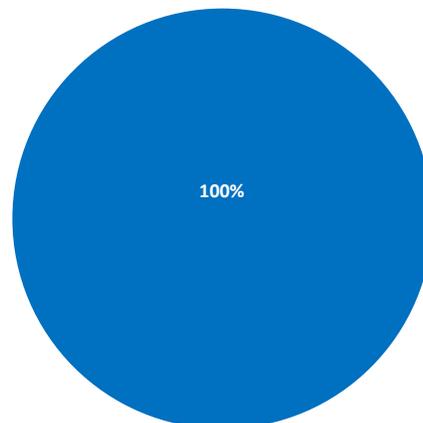
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ A small amount ■ Not at all

Did the session help you to consider your body language when communicating with patients (or actors)?



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

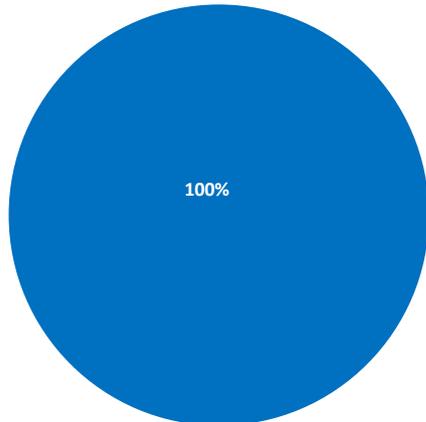
Did the session encourage you to use appropriate words and phrases when communicating with patients (or actors)?



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

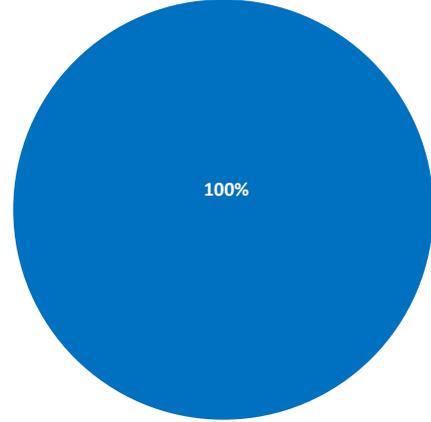
# Overall Feedback

How would you rate your confidence in sitting the communication component of the exam before the session?



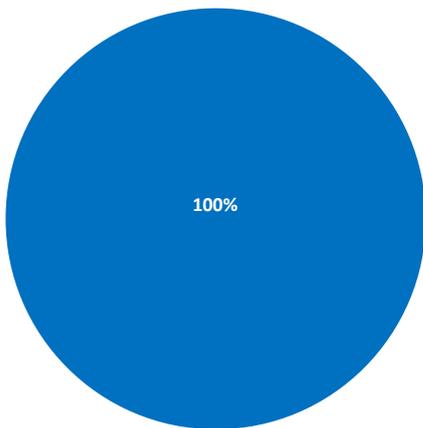
■ Excellent ■ Average ■ Very poor

How would you rate your confidence in sitting the communication component of the exam after the session?



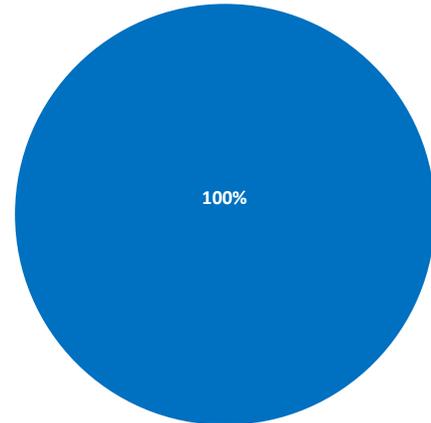
■ Excellent ■ Average ■ Very poor

How were the facilities and venue?



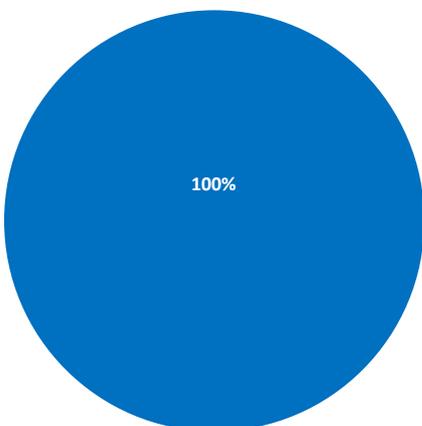
■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Neutral ■ Fair ■ Poor

How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



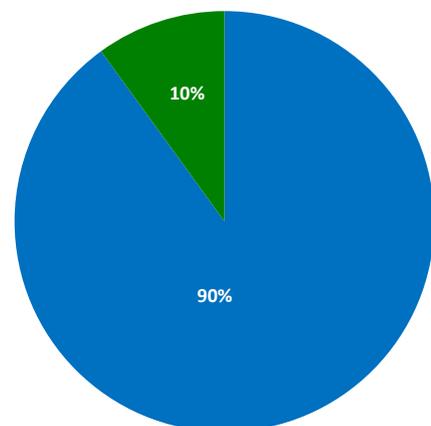
■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

Would you recommend this session to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

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



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

## Individual Comments

Excellent.

**MS**

*Prince Fahd Bin Sultan Hospital, Saudi Arabia*

Well organised course with high tutor to delegate ration which allowed ample opportunity to practise communication scenarios that were relevant to the exam.

**KL**

*Royal victoria Hospital, Belfast, UK*



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