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Vacancy: Members the Medical Oncology Specialty Certificate Examination Question Writing Group

The Association of Cancer Physicians and the Federation of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the UK are seeking to appoint members of the Medical Oncology SCE Question Writing Group.

The successful applicants will generate questions for the Medical Oncology Specialty Certificate Examinations a directed by the Examining Board; ensure that the academic objectives in terms of question writing and producing assessment materials for the Examination are met; advise the Chair on the content and development of the Examination; assist in any review of the question writing process to ensure that sufficient questions of quality are produced for the examination.

In addition the successful applicants will keep abreast of developments in the world of medical education and medical practice to ensure that the assessment material remains up to date and relevant to the curriculum and meets the standards required by the General Medical Council (GMC).

A full list of the post's responsibilities is set out in: *The Responsibilities and Duties of Members of the Question Writing Group (QWG) for the Speciality Certificate Examination*. In addition a copy of the remit and responsibilities of the examining board can be found on the <u>MRCP(UK) website</u>.

Applicants should meet the following criteria to be eligible to apply:

- hold the MRCP(UK) or an equivalent postgraduate diploma
- be practicing as a specialist in Medical Oncology or a higher specialty trainee in Medical Oncology who has passed the SCE, and a member or fellow of one of the three Colleges
- be registered with a licence to practise and in good standing on the GMC specialist register
- be actively engaged in the training of junior doctors in the UK (or within the last two years)
- be up-to-date as appropriate with relevant national guidelines, CPD requirements, employer's equality and diversity training and appraisal process

This is a non-salaried position though all reasonable expenses and travel costs will be met by MRCP(UK) Central Office in line with the Federation expenses policy.

The tenure of board appointments is five years. Attendance at meetings is monitored and members may be asked to step down if they fail to attend regularly.

Applications for the post, including a CV and a one-page covering letter outlining your suitability for the post should be submitted to Rachel Stephenson (<u>policy.officer@mrcpuk.org</u>) by **8 April 2016.**

All applications will be considered by a panel consisting of the Chair and other members of the Medical Oncology Question Writing Group.

The next meeting of the Medical Oncology Question Writing Group that the successful applicant will be required to attend will take place in **March 2017.**