

International PACES exams Q&A

Q1. I had a space in a centre that was cancelled in diet 2020/01 or 2020/02, what can I do?

All candidates who were allocated to a space in an exam which was cancelled were transferred to the next available diet or given the option to withdraw with a full refund. We had hoped to be able to place as many of our existing 2020/01 and 2020/02 candidates in the 2020/03 diet.

Unfortunately, the continued global impact of COVID-19 means that it is not currently safe or logistically viable to conduct exams in all of our centres. Therefore, applications will continue to be rolled over to the next available diet.

Alternatively, candidates who would prefer to withdraw now and reapply at a later date should contact our office and will receive a full refund.

Q2. My 2020/03 centre was cancelled or I'm unable to travel to my centre, can I transfer to a new centre in the diet?

Spaces for PACES exams in the upcoming diet are extremely limited. Whilst no guarantees can be made, requests for transfers to a different centre will be reviewed on a case by case basis should there be capacity. Alternatively, candidates who would prefer to withdraw now and reapply at a later date should contact our office and will receive a full refund.

Q3. Why are some centres running in a country but not all?

We have discussed the potential running of PACES exams with all our international exam centres over recent weeks. Decisions about which centres run will always be guided by our delivery partners, the relevant local and international guidance and with the safety of patients, surrogates, candidates and examiners in mind. As such, some countries may have some centres running and others centres unable to run.

Q4. My exam centre is currently on the system. Will the exam centre definitely run in 2020/03?

Unfortunately, we are unable to guarantee that any of our centres will run as planned due to the ongoing global impact of COVID-19. Exam dates, spaces and venues are subject to change and candidates will be notified as soon as possible. If an exam is cancelled, candidates will be transferred to the next available diet or can request a full refund.

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