

Guide Notes for Examiners

This form will assist the candidate offices in providing the appropriate level of feedback or counselling when examiners decide that action is needed to support a poorly-performing candidate.

This form should ONLY be used in cases where candidates meet one or more of criteria below. If one or more of the criteria listed below are met, the form MUST be completed.

Q: What is feedback?

A: information provided to **all** candidates who sit the examination irrespective of whether they pass or fail.

Q: What is counselling?

A: further information provided to candidates who fail the examination, provided either at the request of the group of examiners who assessed them, the Clinical Examining Board of MRCP(UK), or at the direct request of the candidate.

Examiners must complete this form if a candidate meets one or more of criteria below.

Centre Name: _____ Centre No: _____

Candidate name: _____ Exam number: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Please tick to indicate which criterion the candidate has met (more than one criterion can be selected if necessary), and add comments in the spaces provided below.

- 1 Candidate has **scored 28 on skill G as a result of two unsatisfactory judgements at one encounter**, and the other marks indicate that the candidate would pass the examination (ie has passed all other skills with a total score of 130 or greater).

If a candidate has scored 28 on Skill G as a result of two unsatisfactory judgements at one encounter, but passed all other skills and scored 130 or more, **examiners must recommend Pass or Fail.**

Pass Fail If Fail is recommended please complete the counselling box below

- 2 Candidate has **scored under 28 for Skill G**. Candidates who score less than 28 in Skill G will fail the examination and receive counselling.
- 3 Candidate has **failed on 6 skills or more**. Candidates who fail on 6 or more skills are defined as poor performers and will receive counselling.
- 4 **Other** - if none of the above criteria have been met but examiners still feel that counselling would be of benefit to the candidate, for example due to a very low score on one particular skill. This option should not be used if the candidate was just generally poor but did not meet the criterion for poor performance (see above).

Reason for recommending counselling/skills of particular concern	Recommendations on how candidate could improve for a future attempt at PACES

Please continue overleaf

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