

SCE in Geriatric Medicine Blueprint

Candidates are tested on a wide range of common and important disorders as set out in the syllabus of the curriculum.

The composition of the paper is as follows:

Topic	Number of questions*
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Acute illness (Diagnosis and Management)	
Anaemia/Haematology	1
Cardiovascular medicine	4
Dermatology	1
Endocrine medicine	2
Gastroenterology	3
Infection	4
Musculoskeletal medicine	2
Neurology	4
Renal medicine including fluid/electric imbalance	2
Respiratory medicine	4
Sensory impairment	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Basic science and gerontology	6

• **Chronic disease and disability (Diagnosis and Management)**

Anaemia/Haematology	1
Cardiovascular medicine	4
Dermatology	1
Endocrine medicine	3
Gastroenterology	3
Infection	4
Musculoskeletal medicine	4
Neurology	4
Renal medicine including fluid/electric imbalance	3
Respiratory medicine	4
Sensory impairment	2

• **Cognitive Impairment (Delirium and Dementia)**

Delirium	8
Dementia	12

• **Contenance** 10

• **Falls and poor mobility** 16

• Geriatric assessment	
Factors affecting health status	5
Measurement of health status	3
• Surgical liaison	3
• Intermediate care and long term care	9
• Nutrition	4
• Rehabilitation, transfers of care and	14
• Subspecialty topics	
Palliative care	10
Old age psychiatry	7
Orthogeriatrics and osteoporosis	10
Stroke care	15
Tissue viability	6
Total	200

The questions in each category are distributed across both papers.