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## Faculty of Travel Medicine

Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow

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# Who we are

**The Faculty of Travel Medicine is a world leader in setting standards of care for the prevention and treatment of sickness and trauma in travellers. We wrote the UK's guidelines for standards of practice in travel health and continue to lobby governments to establish standards of care, accreditation and validation in the field of travel health. We also deliver a range of educational courses, events and examinations for travel medicine practitioners.**



***“Travel medicine practitioners are as varied as the travelling populations that they serve, and their wide range experiences and skills all contribute in different ways towards ensuring that travel is as healthy as it can be. Any healthcare professional can practise travel medicine, but it takes training and dedication to do it well.”***

**Group Captain Andy Green FFTM RCPS(Glasg)**  
Dean of the Faculty of Travel medicine

*Group Captain Andy Green FFTM RCPS(Glasg) is Dean of the Faculty of Travel Medicine. Andy is a Consultant Microbiologist in the Royal Air Force, and has been involved in the Specialism since 1990. He has experience from all over the world, and most recently helped to lead the UK National Response to the Ebola Outbreak in West Africa.*

# What we do



## Strategy and leadership

The number of people travelling to international destinations is increasing year on year by about 3%.

The World Tourist Organisation has predicted that international tourist arrivals worldwide will reach 1.8 billion by 2030. This increase in the movement of people around the world brings with it new health risks and the transfer of infections between different nations.

Our Faculty of Travel Medicine provides strategy and leadership for the travel medicine profession to ensure this important area of practice can meet the demands of a growing number of international travellers.

We do this by speaking out on issues related to travel health and by setting standards of care for travel medicine practice. We believe that people giving advice to travellers must be properly trained. Currently in the UK, Ireland and a number of other nations, there is no mandatory requirement to complete a qualification in order to practice travel medicine. As a consequence, there is no licencing or validation of the quality of care delivered by travel medicine practitioners. We believe this is unacceptable and are working with governments and other stakeholders to establish compulsory training and standards for the travel health community.



## Education and examination

Our Diploma in Travel Medicine was the first academic training programme leading to a recognised qualification in travel medicine anywhere in the world, and attracts a large number of international students. The course is a blended e-learning programme over 12 months, including two residential components held at our College in Glasgow. An assessment of skills is completed at the end of the course and successful candidates are eligible to join as an Associate of the Faculty of Travel Medicine using the postnominal - AFTM RCPS(Glasg).

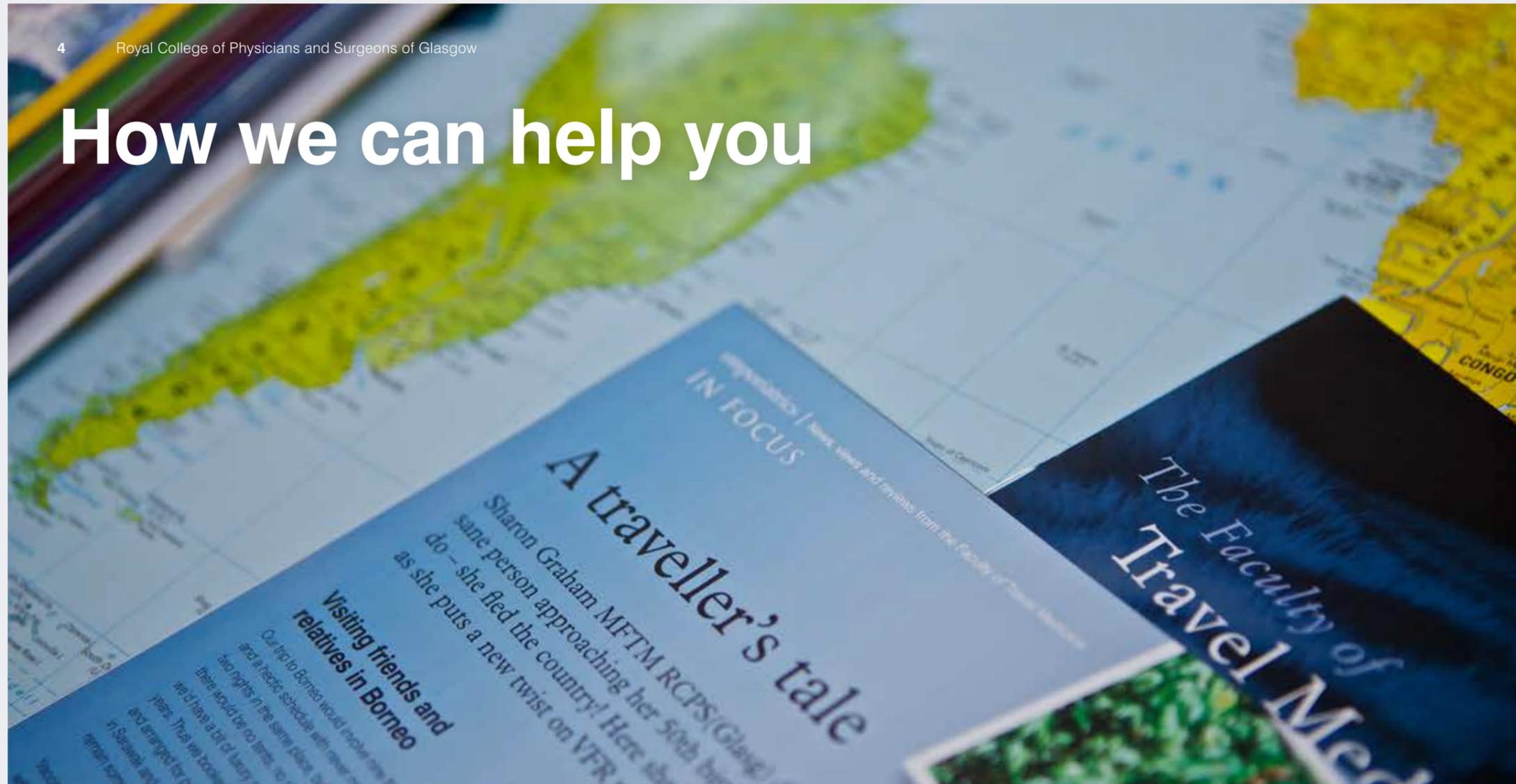
Our Diploma in Expedition and Wilderness Medicine is a 12 month course essential for any healthcare professional seeking to participate in, or lead, expeditions in extreme and challenging environments. Subject areas covering: infectious disease, travel medicine and global health; tropical and maritime; cold and mountainous environments; and high altitude and desert, are delivered by experienced expedition healthcare specialists across a range of locations in the UK and Morocco.

We also run a membership examination for those who have reached a high level of skill and standing in the profession. The MFTM exam provides a benchmark of knowledge and skills that should be demonstrated by all practitioners giving travel health advice to the public. Those who pass the membership exam can use the postnominal MFTM RCPS(Glasg) for as long as they remain a member of the Faculty. Experienced practitioners who have made substantial contributions to the field of travel medicine may apply for fellowship of the Faculty and gain the postnominal FFTM RCPS(Glasg).



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# How we can help you



## Aspire to excellence

We welcome travel health professionals at all stages of their career and from all areas of the profession. This includes physicians, general practitioners, academics, nurses, pharmacists and other allied health professionals involved in the care of travellers.

Successful candidates in our six month blended e-learning Foundation in Travel Medicine course progress to Affiliate Membership of the Faculty. For those wishing to progress further in the field, the 12 month Diploma in Travel Medicine leads to Associate Membership of the Faculty and the award of the designation AFTM RCPS(Glasg).

Services to assist you with obtaining qualifications and gaining CPD include:

- Discounted prices on a range of CPD-accredited clinical and non-clinical symposia and courses.
- A comprehensive educational programme to prepare you for foundation and diploma-level qualification.
- Access to online, distance and onsite library resources.

## Realise your potential

Our membership examination is a postgraduate qualification for travel medicine professionals that recognises a high standard of excellence.

The membership exam consists of two parts:

- Part 1 is a written multiple choice paper (holders of the Diploma in Travel Medicine are exempt from part 1).
- Part 2 assessment is an objective structured clinical examination (OSCE).

Once you have passed your membership exam, you are eligible to apply for Membership of the Faculty and the award of the designation MFTM RCPS(Glasg). Membership is also open to individuals who hold the Diploma in Travel Medicine plus a Masters-level higher qualification in the field of travel medicine.

Fellowship of the Faculty is awarded to individuals who have made a substantial contribution to the field of travel medicine.

## Benefit for life

We are passionate about helping you to excel in your career. We want you to be informed, engaged and active in the care of travellers so that you can be a leader in travel medicine and help to shape the future of the profession. We provide a wide range of services to support you, including:

- Access to the FTM Hub – an online educational resource.
- Access to the Royal College's scholarships and awards worth in excess of £40,000 annually.
- Internationally recognised postnominals affirming the highest standards of education and training.
- Our verification service to support your employment applications.
- A mentorship programme which provides both mentoring for junior professionals and mentor training for more senior professionals.
- Eligibility to stand for election to posts on the Faculty's executive board.

## Fifteen Ninety Nine

The stunning, historic building of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow is frequently used by commercial organisations and individuals looking for a unique venue to host their event.

We have been honoured to host many international conferences and private functions including weddings and receptions.



Hiring of the building to external clients is managed by our commercial company, Fifteen Ninety Nine. Fellows and Members receive 50% off room hire and free corkage.



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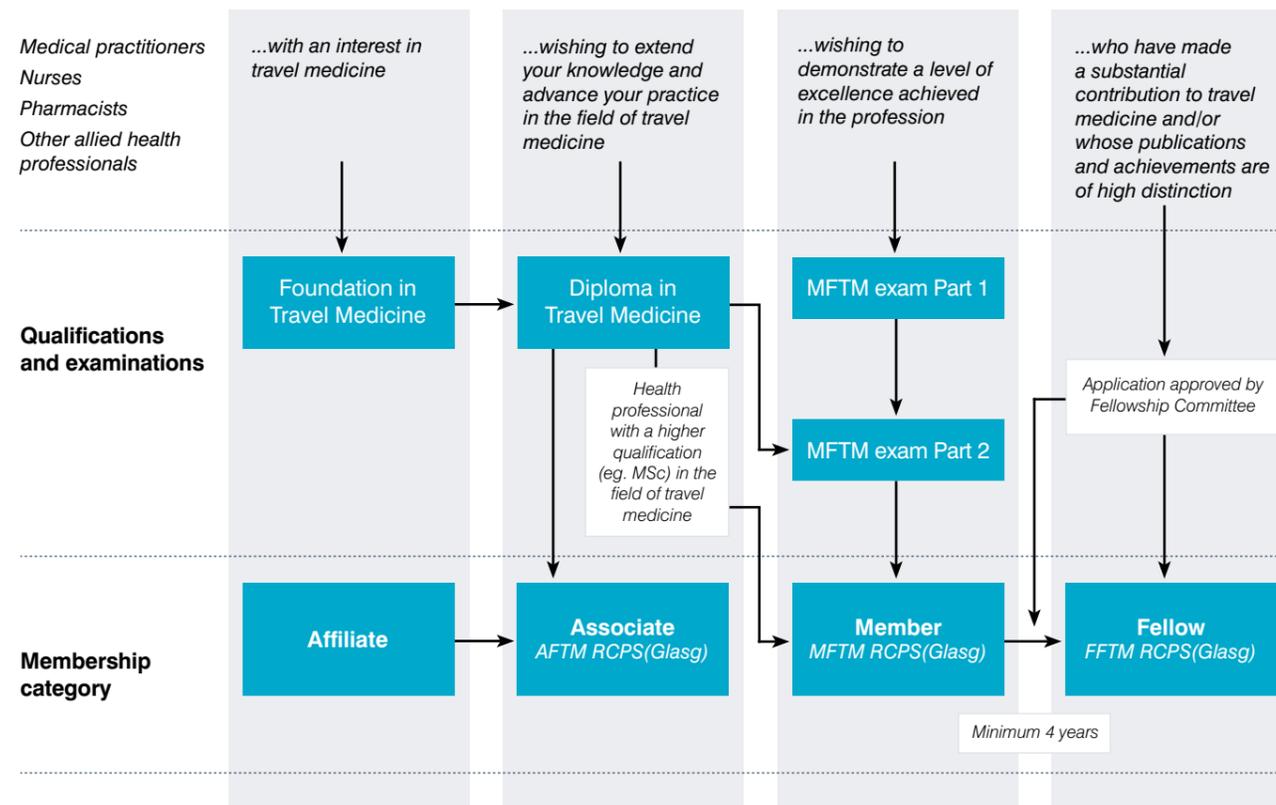
# Join us

## Membership Type

| Affiliate  | Associate   | Member   | Fellow   |
|--|---|--|--|
| <b>Suitable for</b>  |   |  |  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Professionals with an interest in travel medicine</li> <li>Individuals who have completed the Foundation Course in Travel Medicine</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Holders of the Diploma in Travel Medicine awarded by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Successful candidates in the Faculty membership exam</li> <li> Holders of the Diploma in Travel Medicine who also hold a higher qualification in the field of travel medicine</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> Experienced practitioners who have made a substantial contribution to travel medicine</li> <li> Senior members of the profession whose published works and attainments are of such distinction as to justify election to fellowship</li> </ul> |
| <b>Annual subscription fee</b>   |   |  |  |
| £30  | From £60 - £132   | From £70 - £150<br><i>A joining fee of £150 is payable on admission. Subscription fees are due on 1 October annually</i>   | From £80 - £410<br><i>A joining fee of £200 is payable on admission. Subscription fees are due on 1 October annually</i>   |

Please note: Discounted rates are available for non-medically qualified practitioners and for those working less than full time or on maternity leave; UK taxpayers can claim tax relief of annual subscription fees. Full details on our discount policy is available at <http://rcp.sg/subs>

## Travel Medicine Career Pathway



## How to join

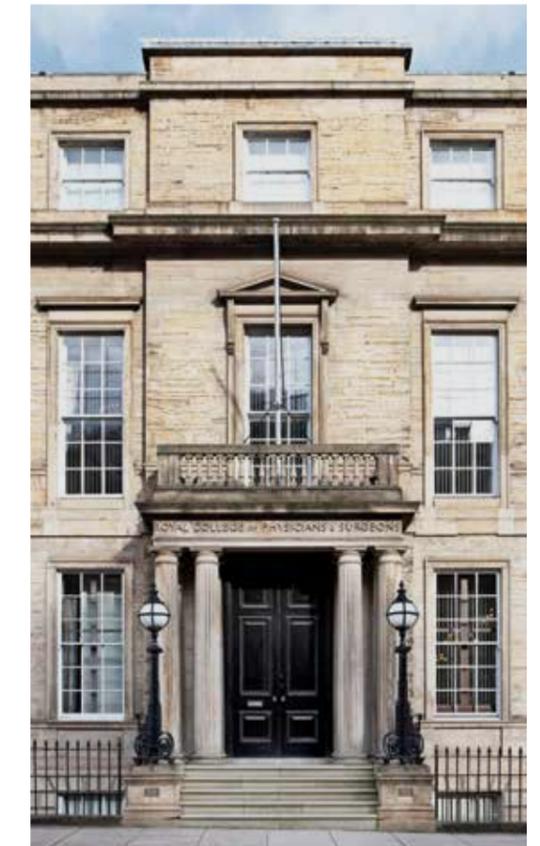
Please check out our website for further details: [www.rcpsg.ac.uk](http://www.rcpsg.ac.uk)

Call us: 0141 221 6072

Email: [travelmedicine@rcpsg.ac.uk](mailto:travelmedicine@rcpsg.ac.uk)

## Membership Benefits

|  | Affiliate | Associate              | Member                 | Fellow                 |
|--|-----------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Education</b>   |           |                        |                        |                        |
| Discounted rates on CPD accredited clinical and non-clinical skills courses  | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Discounted rates at travel medicine symposia and events held in the College  | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Free subscription to <i>Travel Medicine and Infectious Disease</i> journal   | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| <b>Information</b>   |           |                        |                        |                        |
| Copy of the College's quarterly magazine College News  | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Copy of the travel medicine magazine, Emporiatrics   | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Free inter-library loans and one to one library support sourcing key documents   | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| An Athens password providing access to password-protected content from 6000 full text journals, 80 databases and 5000 electronic books |           |                        | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| <b>Development</b>   |           |                        |                        |                        |
| Access to College scholarships and awards  |           | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Verifications for employment   |           | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Mentorship   |           |                        | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Mentor training  |           |                        |                        | ✓                      |
| Examiner training  |           |                        |                        | ✓                      |
| <b>Leadership</b>  |           |                        |                        |                        |
| Networking opportunities   | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Eligibility to join committees   |           | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Eligible for election to the Faculty Executive Board   |           | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Use of postnominals  |           | ✓<br>AFTM RCPS (Glasg) | ✓<br>MFTM RCPS (Glasg) | ✓<br>FFTM RCPS (Glasg) |
| <b>Lifestyle</b>   |           |                        |                        |                        |
| 50% discount on room hire and free corkage with Fifteen Ninety Nine  |           |                        | ✓                      | ✓                      |
| Discounted rates with partner hotels and commercial outlets including TM Lewin and Hilton Hotels                                       | ✓         | ✓                      | ✓                      | ✓                      |



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