

Announcement

Intercollegiate Specialty Fellowship Examination in Oral Surgery March 2013

Eligibility for entry to the examination

Further to our previous statement issued in January 2012, the Deans of the Dental Faculties of the four Royal Surgical Colleges have debated extensively with interested parties on the matter of the appropriateness of re-opening the 'equivalence by experience' (portfolio) route for the ISFE in Oral Surgery.

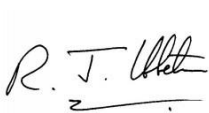
A wide variety of issues have been taken into account, including the impact of this on other speciality ISFEs and the effect on current trainees. The outcome of these deliberations is that the 'equivalence by experience' (portfolio) route for Oral Surgery will not be re-opened, and the ISFEs will continue in their primary function, as an exit Fellowship examination, marking the end of formal training.

The Deans are cognisant of the difficulties facing the Oral Surgery community in establishing a consultant base for their speciality. It is their view, however, that this is an issue to be resolved by the Postgraduate Deans, working in consultation with funding and commissioning authorities.



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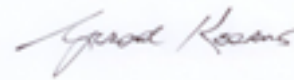
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