ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF GLASGOW

Practical Advice for New Consultants: Before and After Appointment

Programme, 2 October 2026

08.45 – 09.00	Registration, tea and coffee
Session 1	
09.00 – 09.05	**Welcome and introduction** **Dr John Harden**, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, Wishaw General Hospital
09.05 – 10.15	**The Consultant contract and job planning for new Consultants** **Mr Martyn Ramsay,** Regional Secretary, BMA Scotland
10.15 – 11.00	**Time management and secretarial support**
11.00 – 11.15	Refreshments, tea and coffee
Session 2	
11.15 – 11.45	**Complaints and SAERs** **Joyce Brown,** Clinical Governance Lead Clyde, Greater Glasgow and Clyde
11.45 – 12.30	**Practising Realistic Medicine as a Consultant** **Dr Susie Farrell,** Consultant in Anaesthetics and ICU, Hairmyres Hospital
12.30 – 13.15	Lunch
Session 3	
13.15-14.00	**Making the move – my experience on the transition from training to Consultant** **Dr Stuart Hamilton**, Consultant in Emergency Medicine, St John's Hospital, Livingston and Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh
14.00-14.45	**Hints, tips and preparation – the first months in the job** **Dr John Harden** and **Dr Stuart Hamilton**
14.45 – 15.00	Refreshments, tea and coffee
Session 4	
15.00-15.45	**Creating a business case and service change proposal**
15.45 – 16.15	**Beyond the Job Plan** **Craig Mather**, Senior Clinical Lecturer, Honorary Consultant in Oral Surgery, Glasgow Dental Hospital
16.15 – 16.30	Closing remarks
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