

ICBSE ANNOUNCEMENT to MRCS (ENT) OSCE Candidates: MRCS (ENT) Exam in February 2026

This announcement is for candidates wishing to register for the final opportunity to sit the MRCS (ENT) OSCE examination. The final MRCS (ENT) OSCE examination will be hosted by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. The online component is scheduled for Monday, 16 February 2026, and the clinical component will take place on Wednesday, 25, 26, and 27 February 2026.

Applications for the examination will open for all Colleges on Thursday, 20 November 2025, with the closing date for applications set for Thursday, 4 December 2025.

Please note that the total number of candidates who can register across the Colleges to sit the exam will be capped at 250. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Colleges may close applications prior to the advertised closing date if they reach capacity.

Transition Plan

Following the February 2026 diet, there will be no further opportunity to sit or resit the MRCS (ENT). After this, candidates wishing to enter Higher Surgical Training in ENT will be required to successfully complete the MRCS Part B as standard. Candidates may choose to transition to the MRCS Part B at any time and are not required to sit the final MRCS (ENT) OSCE.

The eligibility of candidates to enter Higher Surgical Training in ENT after successfully completing the MRCS Part B has been confirmed by the Specialty Advisory Committee in ENT.