

Academy Revalidation Development Group

1. Background and Outline Objectives

The Academy Revalidation Development Group is concerned with all aspects of the development of processes and procedures related to the revalidation of doctors who are no longer in training. It provides a forum for the Medical Royal Colleges and Faculties to:

- Identify and develop a cohesive approach to revalidation, and specialist recertification in particular
- Ensure that any approach is developed in collaboration with the Medical Royal Colleges, Faculties and other key stakeholders
- Exchange information about the progress of work within the Colleges, Faculties and other stakeholders around revalidation
- To ensure that any processes developed in support of revalidation are robust and effective
- To ensure that any processes developed in support of revalidation are in line with the needs of doctors, patients and the public and deliverable at a local level
- Receive reports from and provide strategic input to various projects around revalidation

The Group advises the Academy about the practical implications of implementing revalidation through regular reports from the Chairman. It will provide strategic oversight and work closely with other Academy committees and working groups with respect to revalidation, in particular:

- Directors of CPD Group
- E-learning Forum
- Other groups identified and established in support of revalidation

Parameters of the Academy remit for Revalidation:

- Project is about the development of revalidation and not the administration or implementation of the process/system
- Covers medical working only
- Covers doctors who are not in training
- Will not back fund any completed projects

2. Chair

The Academy Revalidation Development Group will be Chaired by the Academy Clinical Lead for Revalidation, Dr Judith Hulf.

3. Administration

The Academy Revalidation Development Group will meet at least quarterly and the administration will be the responsibility of the Academy Revalidation Project Manager.

4. Membership

The Academy Revalidation Development Group will have representation from all of the Medical Royal Colleges and Faculties. The group will also invite at least one representative from the Academy Patient and Lay Representative Group; General Medical Council; Department of Health (England); British Association of Medical Managers; National Clinical Assessment Service; NHS Employers and the British Medical Association.

ARDG GROUP MEMBERSHIP		
Academy	Judith Hulf (Chair)	Barbara Wood (Lay Rep)
	Clare Settle	Kirstyn Shaw
Anaesthetists	Charlie McLaughlan	Chris Dodds
Emergency Medicine	Jacky Hanson	Gerardine Beckett
GP	Colin Hunter	Hilary De Lyon
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	Tahir Mahmood	Charnjit Dhillon
Occupational Medicine	Nicky Coates	Rob Thornton
Ophthalmology	Richard Smith	Kathy Evans
Paediatrics and Child Health	Alistair Thomson	David Ennis
Pathology	Stella Macaskill	Lance Sandle
Pharmaceutical Medicine	Susan Bews	Kathryn Swanston
Physicians Edinburgh	Elaine Tait	David Webb
Physicians London	Ian Starke	Jane Ingham
Physicians and Surgeons Glasgow	James Miller	Paul Knight
Psychiatry	Laurence Mynor Wallis	Robert Jackson
Public Health	Paul Scourfield	Steve George
Radiology	Jane Adam	Victoria Preston
Surgeons Edinburgh	George Youngson	Allan Wood
Surgeons London	Lavinia Blackett	Anne Moore
Surgical Forum	James Steers	

NHS Employers	Ashley Fraser
National Clinical Assessment Service (NCAS)	Alastair Scotland
British Medical Association (BMA)	Edwin Borman
British Association of Medical Managers (BAMM)	Stuart Haines
General Medical Council (GMC)	Una Lane
Department of Health England	Gavin Larner

5. Funding

Funds have been made available to the Academy from:

- A. The **GMC** have been funding the Academy to carry out work on revalidation for the last two years. The funding available for 2007-09 is as follows:
- £60,800 for project on review of assessment of technical skills
 - £50,000 for project on review of effectiveness of CPD
- B. The **Department of Health** has provided a total of £3.9 million through grants in aid to the Academy to enable and oversee the development of standards for specialist re-certification by the Medical Royal Colleges and Faculties. This grant is intended by DH to support:
- Development projects
 - Pilot studies
 - Consultation events
 - Administrative, project and IT support
 - Communications
 - Production of regular reports