

Integrated Structured Clinical Examination (ISCE) 2023 – Peninsula Medical School

Peninsula Medical School will be holding a summative ISCE for Year 4 students in **Taunton** this **June**. The exam format is based on the long-standing objective structured clinical examination (OSCE) adapted to an ISCE format by assessing a set of integrated clinical skills such as clinical examination followed by an explanation to the patient. For this year's ISCEs, only simulated patients (actors) will be used. Examiners who have been involved find it enjoyable and rewarding, and value the insight into the undergraduate curriculum which is gained.

How can I help?

Exams will be taking place in **Taunton** for Year 4 only. We are hoping to recruit examiners (ST4 and above) from the clinical community and would like to invite you to participate as an examiner. There are 2 dates in Taunton (**20th & 22nd June**) for which we are looking for examiners for examination sessions of approximately 4.5 hours. Please indicate which dates and sessions you are available for via the online form (the link to this is given in the email) **as soon as possible**.

If you have any colleagues who are interested in examining, please contact Louise Farmer at penmedschool@somersetft.nhs.uk (Taunton), who will be happy to provide them with the relevant information. Please note examiners must be **ST4** or above in order to take part in these assessments.

Examiner Preparation

All examiners will be sent:

- ❖ A recorded briefing / Power Point presentation, made available with the confirmation of exam sessions. This will outline how the ISCE runs, how it is marked and look at generic examiner guidance, and examiners will be required to confirm they have watched / reviewed this.
- ❖ A station-specific examiner pack (for each of their allocated sessions) two weeks prior to each exam. This will explain the specifics of the station, including the examiner guidance relevant to that station and what is expected of the students, will go through the documentation so that examiners are familiar with what is expected and will explain the marking and how to complete the paperwork.

There will also be a short station-specific briefing on the day, which will give examiners the opportunity to ask any questions they might have about the station.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us at penmedschool@somersetft.nhs.uk.

Thank you for your consideration.