



**Intensive Revision Course
for MRCS Part A Exam**

Feedback - November 2015

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Delivered by faculty from the highly acclaimed and reputed Cardiff MRCS OSCE courses, this course was suitable for candidates appearing for the Intercollegiate MRCS Part A exam with one of the Royal College of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland.

In the MRCS Part A exam, candidates are expected to demonstrate sufficient knowledge and sound understanding of the application of key basic sciences in surgery. This intensive one-day revision course provided the delegates with an overview of essential applied clinical anatomy, basic physiological principles, principles of surgery, and the rationale behind requesting investigations and instituting management for common surgical conditions and emergencies. In addition to interactive lectures and small group teaching, demonstrations of topographic anatomy were made to emphasise functional and clinical anatomy as tested in the exam. The course taking into consideration the recent changes to the curriculum.

Course Information

Course date: 27th November 2015

Venue: Education Centre,
Central Manchester University
Manchester

Attendance: 12 Delegates

Aimed at: FY1
FY2
CT1
CT2

Course fee: £145

Delegates that attended this course also received **FREE** online access to MRCS Part A practice exam questions for a six month period at:

www.doctorexams.co.uk

Online access provided immediately upon confirmation of a place.



Course Programme

0830 - 0840	Registration
0840 - 0845	Introduction
0845 - 0915	Pre-course assessment
0920 - 0950	Brachial plexus, arm, shoulder, scapula, back, rotator cuff and cubital fossa
0950 - 1010	Forearm, flexor retinaculum & hand
1010 - 1040	Spinal cord anatomy and neurophysiology

1040 - 1100 Break for refreshments

1100 - 1140	Cardiovascular Physiology
1140 - 1220	Thorax, Mediastinum, Heart and Lungs and Diaphragm
1220 - 1250	Endocrine Physiology
1250 - 1300	Sutures

1300 - 1340 Lunch break

1340 - 1410	Renal Physiology
1410 - 1440	HPB Pathologies and Upper GI Surgery
1440 - 1500	Critical care physiology
1450 - 1520	Respiratory physiology
1520 - 1540	Burns

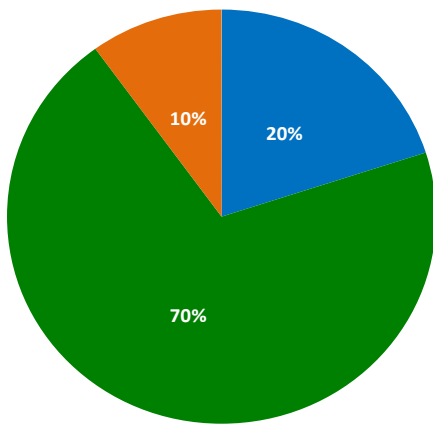
1540 - 1600 Break for refreshments

Course Programme

1600 - 1630	Anatomy of Head, Neck and Scalp
1630 - 1650	IBD and Lower GI Pathologies
1650 - 1700	Stoma
1700 - 1730	Anatomy of Abdomen, Inguinal Region and Pelvis
1730 - 1800	Lower Limb Anatomy
1800 - 1915	Surgical Pathology including Trauma (Local anaesthetics, Skin Cancers, Vascular Surgery, Lower Leg Ulcers, Thyroid s, Breast)
1915	Summary and Close

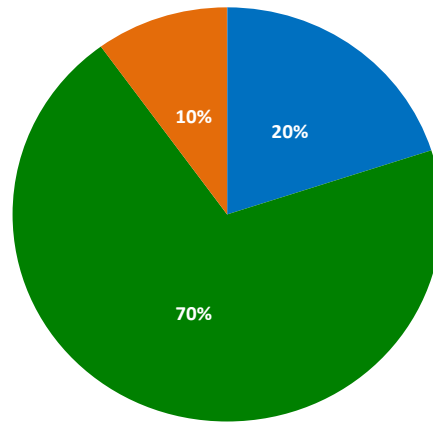
Overall Teaching Feedback

How was the content of the course?



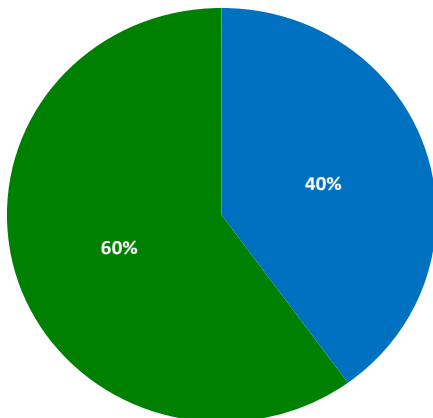
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How was the clarity of presentations?



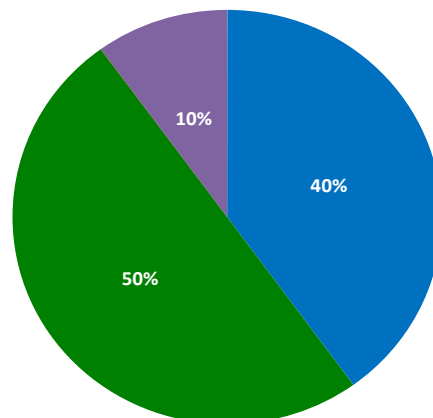
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How would you rate the relevance of the course to your exam?



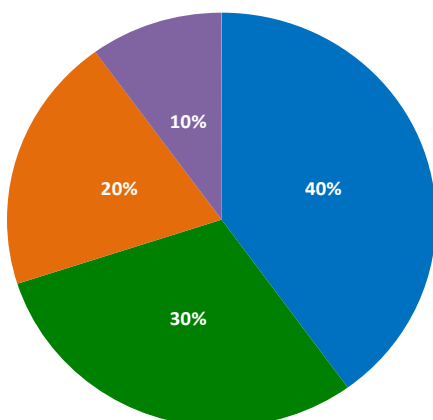
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the lectures?



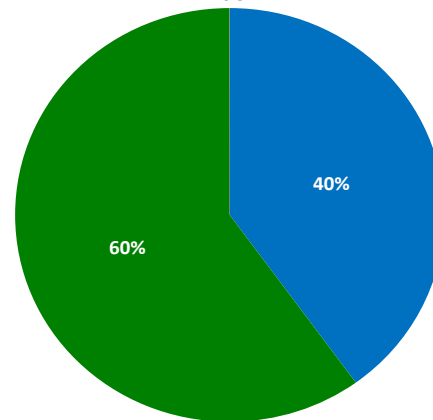
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How useful was the pre-course assessment and feedback with scores?



■ Very useful ■ Useful ■ Neutral ■ Limited usefulness ■ Useless

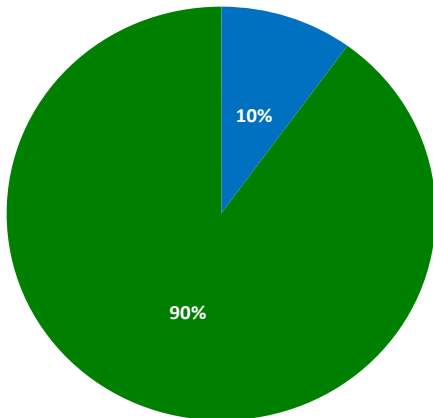
Brachial plexus, Arm, Shoulder, Scapula, Back



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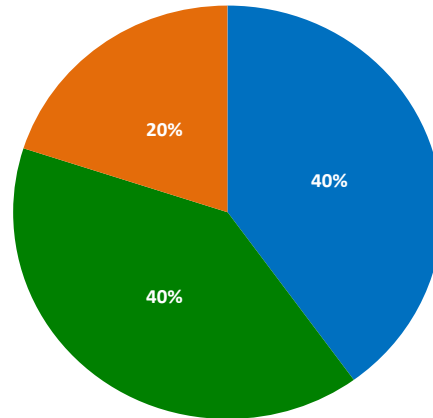
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Cubital Fossa, Forearm & Hand



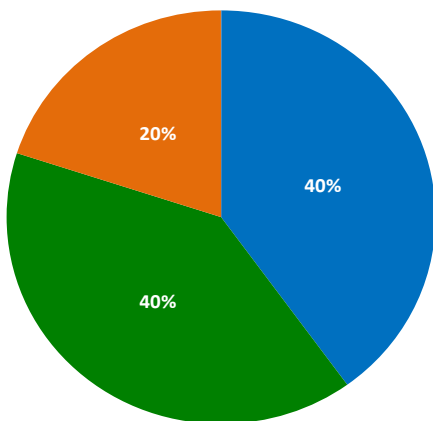
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Neck



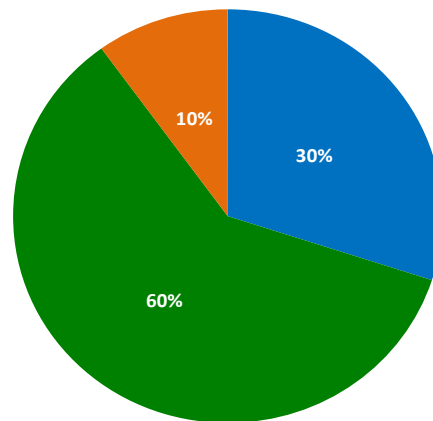
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Scalp and Face



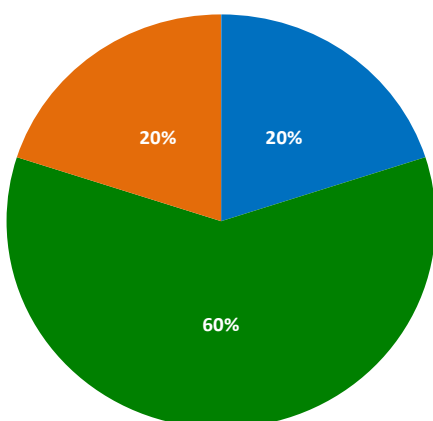
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Mediastinum, Heart, Lungs and Diaphragm



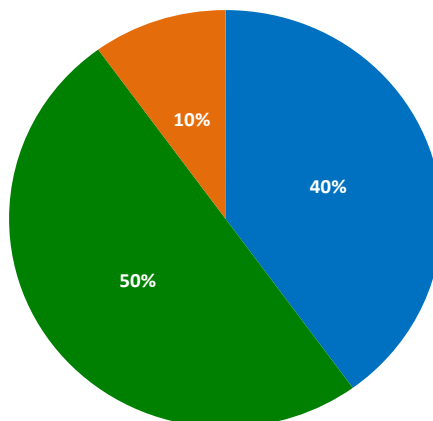
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Thoracic Wall



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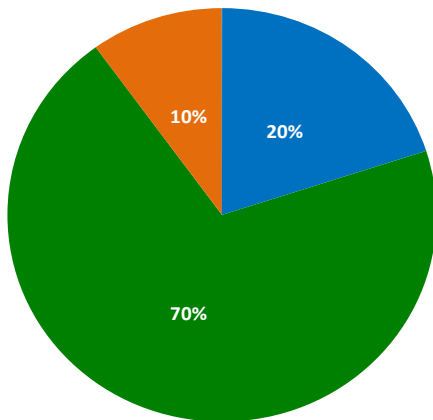
Vascular Anatomy



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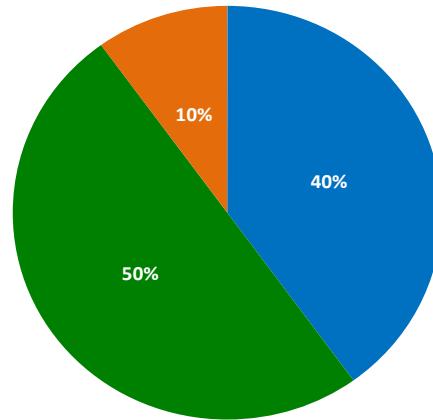
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Anterior Abdominal Wall/Inguinal Region



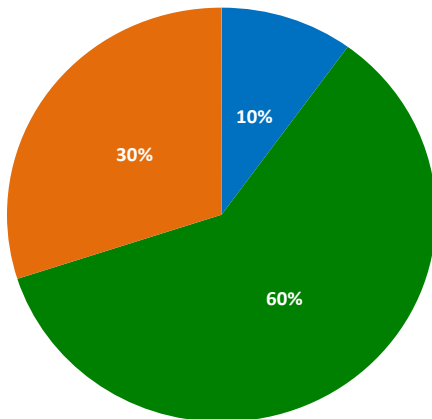
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Abdominal Anatomy



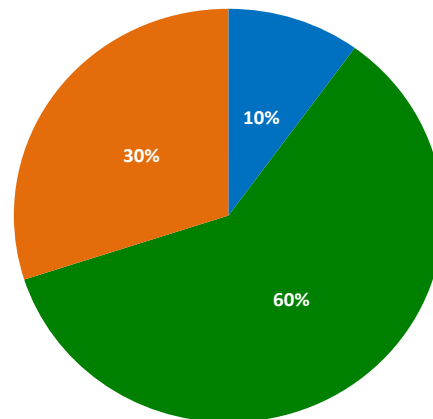
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Lumbar and Lumbosacral Plexus



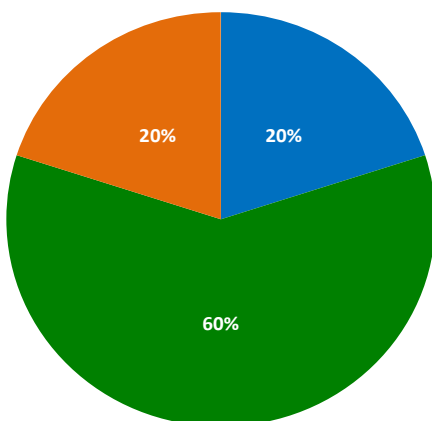
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Femoral Triangle, Thigh, Popliteal Fossa



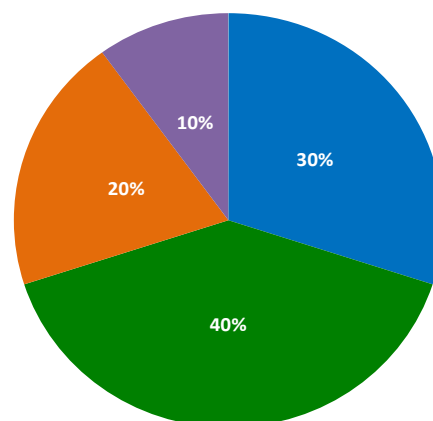
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Lower Leg, Ankle and Foot



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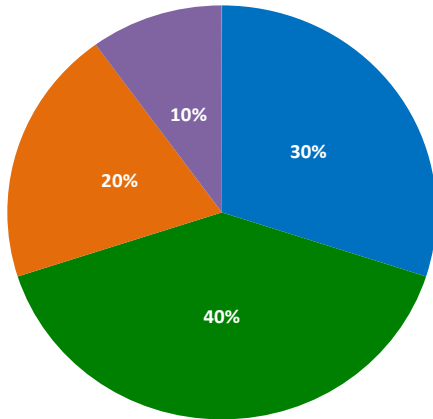
HPB and Upper GI Surgery



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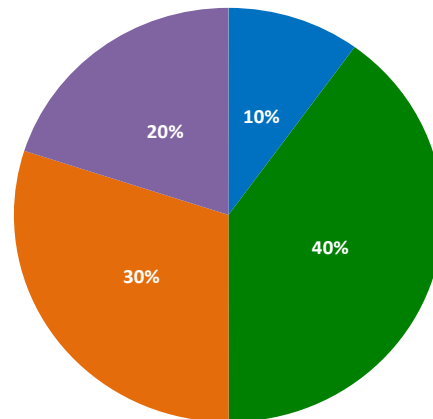
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Colectomies and Stoma



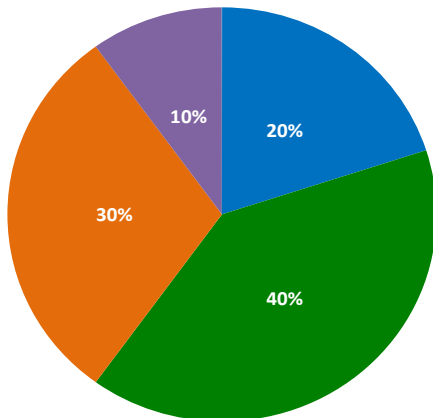
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Sutures



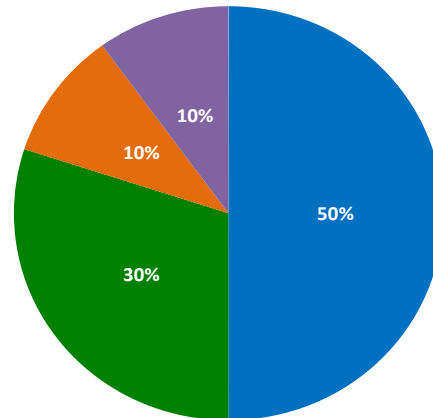
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Management of Burns



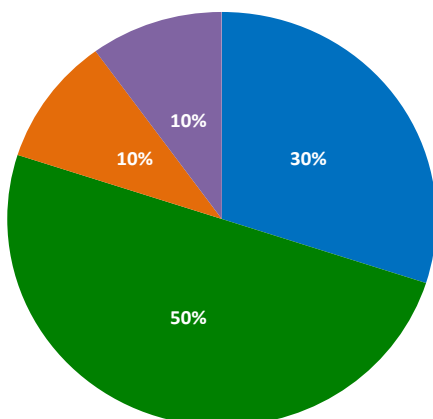
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Cardiovascular Physiology



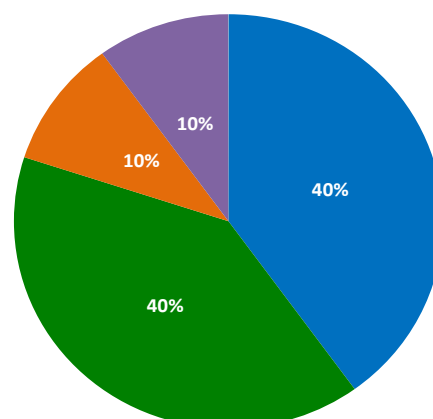
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Respiratory Physiology



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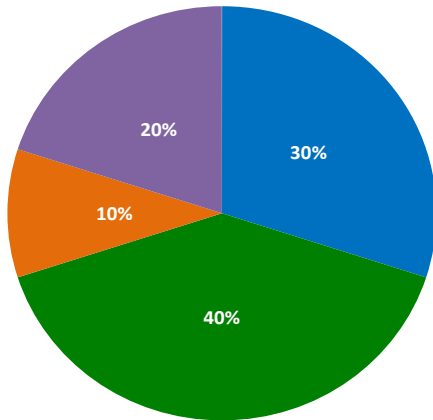
Spinal cord and Neurophysiology



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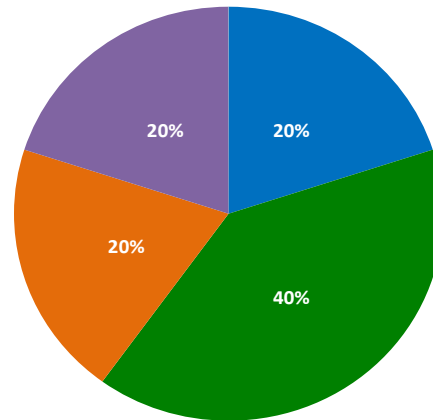
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Renal Physiology



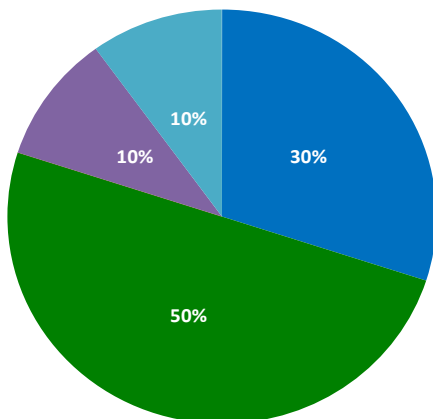
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Endocrine Physiology



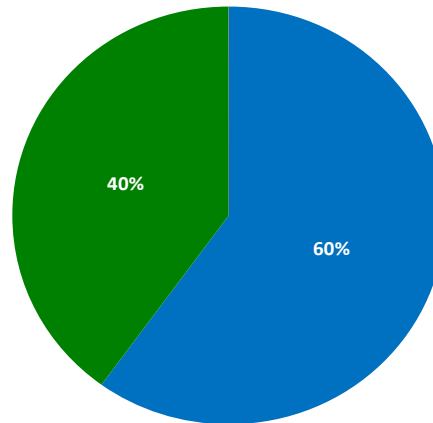
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Critical Care Physiology



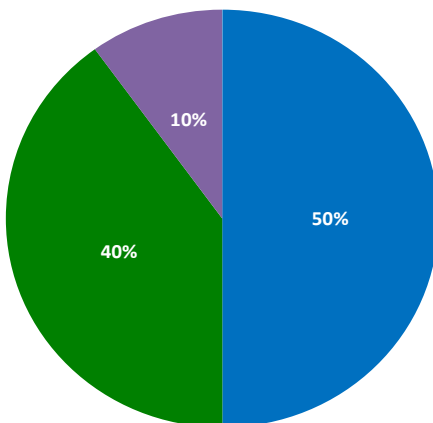
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How was the general friendliness of the organisers?



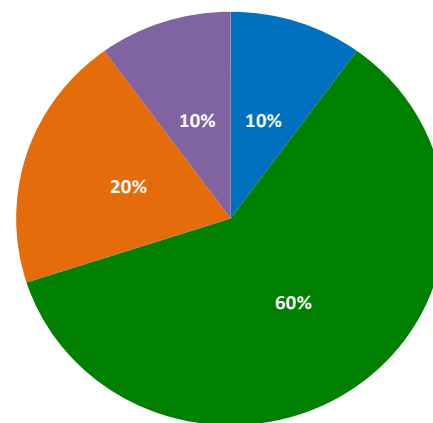
■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

Would you recommend this course to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Individual Comments

The contents of the course was good and relevant. The presentations were clear. Would be recommending it to others preparing for the exam.

TA

Kettering General Hospital, Kettering, United Kingdom

Good revision and tips. High standard of faculty. Relevant for exam preparation. Content of the course was good.

FK

Warrington Hospital, Warrington, United Kingdom

Very useful for brainstorm to prepare for MCQ. Excellent course and faculty. Good quality presentations.

AR

Southampton General Hospital, Southampton, United Kingdom

It was a useful day to see how good your knowledge was.

DH

Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester, United Kingdom

An excellent course in preparation for the MRCS part A exam! The course was excellent and provided good value for money. I will definitely recommend it to my friends.

VP

Noble's Hospital, Isle of Man, United Kingdom

Excellent course and faculty. Relevant for exam preparation. It was Great, thank you.

CN

Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, Wigan, United Kingdom

Excellent course - definitely glad I travelled all the way for it. Very intensive, but having not started revision yet the course allowed me to identify my weaker areas and target my revision for the next month accordingly.

VA

University Hospital of North Durham, Durham, United Kingdom



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