

Doctors Academy ST3 (General Surgery) Interview Preparation Course

2nd April 2016 (Saturday)

Education Centre, Department 17, 2nd Floor, Christie Hospital, Manchester

REPORTING INFORMATION

Dear Colleague,

Thank you for choosing to attend this course.

This mail is to inform you of the programme and format for the day.

Date: 2nd April 2016 (Saturday)

Start of registrations: 0800 hours

Start of course: 0830 hours

End of course: 1700 hours

Venue:

Clinical Skills Room and Lecture Theatre 1, 1st Floor, Education Centre, Department 17, Christie Hospital (Enter hospital through Oak Road entrance), Manchester

Address: The Christie NHS Foundation Trust, Wilmslow Road, Manchester, M20 4BX. United Kingdom

Telephone: 0161 446 3000

Directions:

Please click on this link to view the hospital in Google maps -

<https://www.google.co.uk/maps/place/Manchester/@53.4299386,-2.2297864,17z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x487bb24164e10297:0x2e94eddf6b3ff7aa>

Please click on this link if you are travelling by car:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/directions-by-car.aspx>

Please click on this link if you are taking public transport:

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/public-transport.aspx>

Cost of taxi from Manchester Piccadilly train station to Christie Hospital: £10 - £12 (duration about 20 minutes)

Parking: 'Pay and display' car parks are available in the hospital premises. There are drop-off points at the Oak Road and Wilmslow Road entrances. Please note that due to ongoing road works, the entrance to Oak Road from Wilmslow Road is closed, and therefore it is best for you to park in Car Park C or Car Park D as below.

Suggested Car Parks:

Car park C (multi-storey) on Palatine Road and Car park D on Wilmslow Road are for visitors. Accessible parking (Blue Badge) is available.

Car parking procedure and charges:

- As you enter the car park, take a ticket at the barrier and park.
- Before you return to your vehicle when you are leaving, insert the ticket and money in to the Pay Station.
- There is a Pay Station for use only in carpark C (multi-storey) located on the ground floor by the pedestrian exit. Coins are accepted but not notes or cards.
- There is a Pay Station inside car park D. There is another Pay Station for car park D only inside Oak Road main reception. Coins and notes are accepted but not cards.
- The Pay Stations give change and receipts.
- Charges are displayed at the Pay Stations.
- Charges: first 30 minutes are free; then it is £1.50 per day.
- There is a cash machine in the Oak Road main reception.
- On returning to your vehicle, please insert your validated ticket at the barrier to exit the car park.
- Please note: parking on local roads is restricted.

Please click on this link for further detailed information.

<http://www.christie.nhs.uk/about-the-christie/visiting-the-christie/travel-and-car-parking.aspx>

Start time: The course will start promptly at 0830 hrs. The reception will be open from 0800 hours for registration. Please be prompt as the course will start on time.

Finish time: The course will finish at 1700 hrs. If you are planning to book a train, please do so for a train from about 1745 hours onwards (will take 20 mins by taxi from Christie Hospital to Manchester Piccadilly train station).

Where to report:

Please enter Christie Hospital through Oak Road Entrance. Follow directions to the education centre (Department 17) and go to the foyer in the second floor. The reception is located in the second floor foyer and the team will meet you there.

Course format/content:

This course will explain how the interview process works, how to create a well-structured portfolio and will provide a 'look inside' at the stations. There will be plenty of small group/ individual mock interview stations to practice, learning from peers and opportunities will be available to obtain constructive individual feedback from experienced Consultant trainers and Speciality Registrars who have recently gone through this process and obtained a training number. Structure and practice is the key, and this course will provide you with a platform to develop the correct technique to perform a good interview.

Programme:

Can be found in this link:

<http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/SurgicalRegistrar/downloads/Pgm.pdf>

Please get your portfolio for the course so that the Consultants can provide you with constructive comments and feedback.

Breaks: There are two 20-minute refreshment breaks in the morning and afternoon, and a 40-minute lunch break. Coffee, tea and biscuits as well as hot lunch along with fruit juice will be provided as appropriate.

Dress code:

You will be interacting with Consultants and Senior Registrars. Please dress professionally in suitable attire.

Accommodation:

If you have not already booked your accommodation, you may consider this option since attendees of Doctors Academy courses receive a discounted price.

Kindly state this discount code: **DocAcad2014** and please state that you are booking for a course through Doctors Academy.

WILLOW BANK HOTEL

340 Wilmslow Rd
Manchester
M14 6AF

Person to contact:

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Reservations Manager
Willow Bank Hotel
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www.feathers.uk.com

The hotel is about 5-6 minutes' drive or 15 min walk to the hospital. Please get directions here:
<https://maps.google.co.uk/>

Hotel postcode: M14 6AF
Hospital postcode: M20 4BX

The other accommodation options are in this link:

<http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/SurgicalRegistrar/downloads/Accomodations.pdf>

Guidance on travel:

http://doctorsacademy.org/Course/SurgicalRegistrar/downloads/Travelling_to_Manchester.pdf

We look forward to seeing you for the course.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at courses@doctorsacademy.org.uk if you have a query in the interim.

What you need to bring with you:

1. Your complete portfolio.
2. A copy of the email you have received from us regarding your confirmation of place (with your name). Please note that you will not be allowed to attend the course without this information.
3. Your Hospital identification badge.

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Best wishes,

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