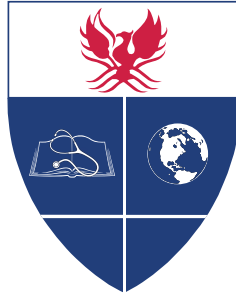
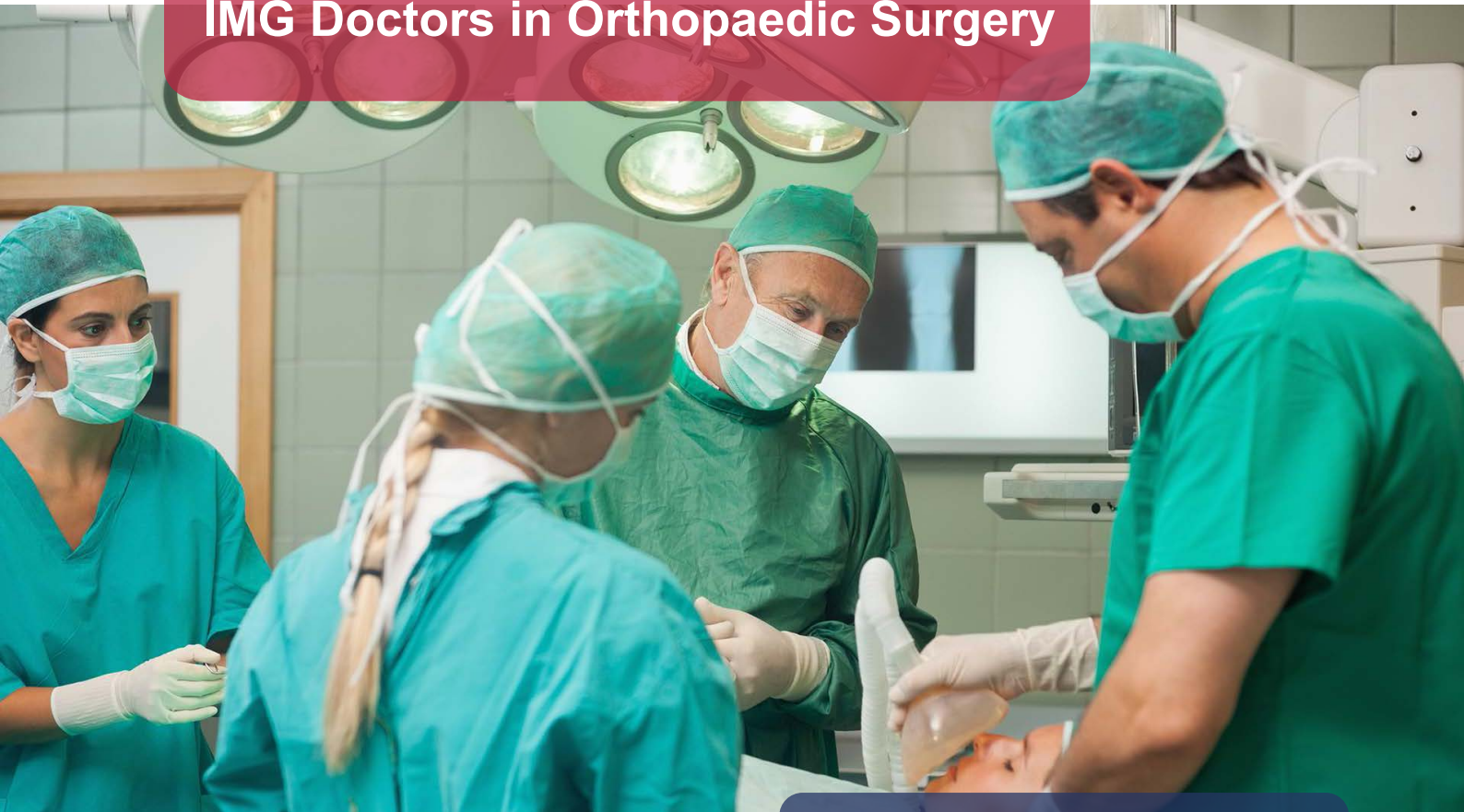


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## Portfolio Pathway Course for IMG Doctors in Orthopaedic Surgery



**Feedback - February 2025**

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Pursuing a career in Orthopaedic Surgery in the UK is highly challenging yet very rewarding. One may consider entering a structured higher surgical training programme with a National Training Number (NTN) to obtain the Certificate of Completion of Training (CCT), or one might choose to follow the Portfolio Pathway (formerly known as the Certificate of Eligibility of Specialist Registration [CESR]).

This course, focussed on the Portfolio Pathway, will highlight what the process entails, the key components and requirements, and how to prepare and submit documents in a timely manner. The morning session consisted of a series of informative talks which will provide practical information about the process, whilst the afternoon session included interactive workshops on key topics such as workplace-based assessments, leadership, management, safety, and governance.

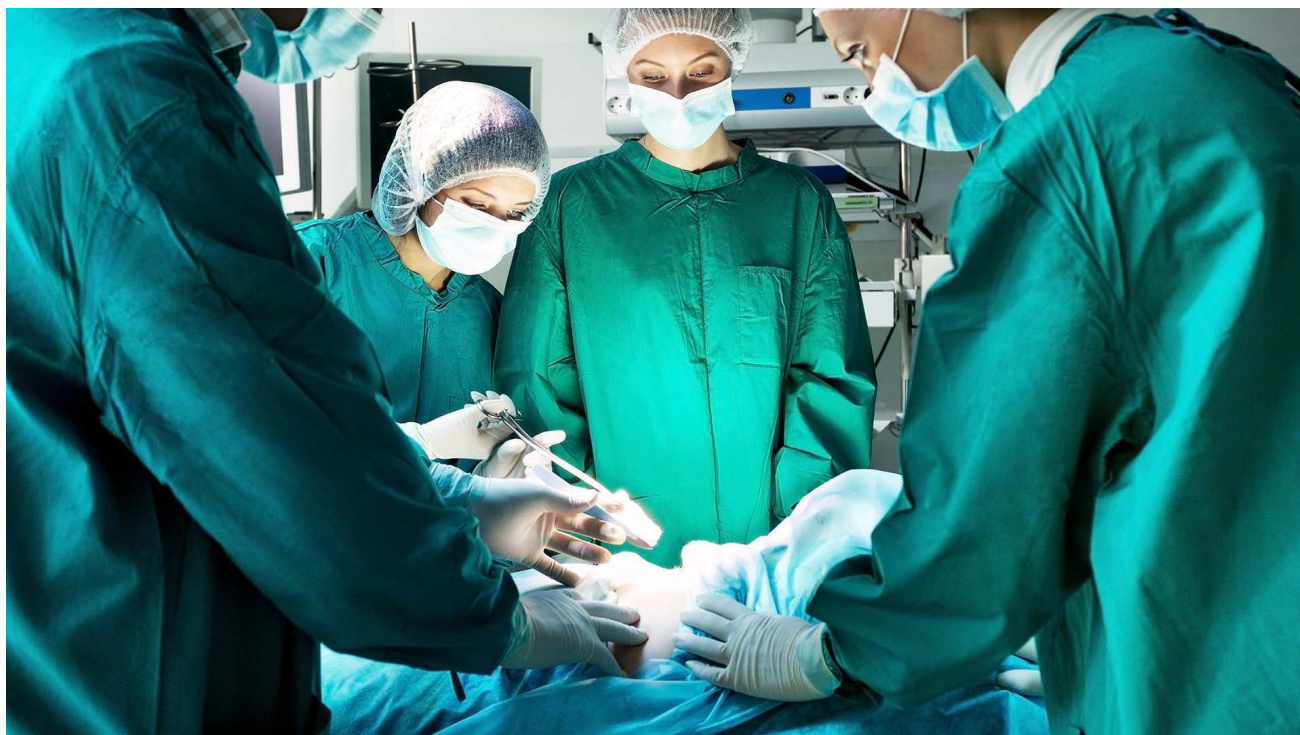
An important aspect that underpins success in the Portfolio Pathway is the applicant's ability to communicate. This course therefore, comprised of a session on communication skills and soft skills.

Delegates could choose to attend both the morning and afternoon sessions, or they could attend one session only.

If an individual was not registered with the GMC in the UK, he/she was be eligible to attend the morning session for free. Further details were available in the registration form.

### Course Information

<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Online Course Held Via Zoom</b>
<b>Dates:</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> February 2025</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>33 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Trust Grade Doctors; Non-Training Registrars</b>
<b>Course Fee:</b>	<b>£65.00</b>



# Programme

## Morning Session (0900-1215 hours)

- 0900 – 0910 Registration and Welcome (Mr J. Zaib)
- 0910 – 0930 10 Common Mistakes in Portfolio Pathway (CESR) Applications (Mr K. Kumar)
- 0930 – 0950 Specialty Trainee 3 (ST3) and National Training Number (NTN): An Overview of the Journey
- 0950 – 1010 Assessing the Self-Assessment Sheet (Mr D. Gurrero)
- 1010 – 1030 Prior T&O Experience: A Boon or a Bane? (Mr V. Khanna)

**1030 – 1050**

**Break**

- 1050 – 1110 Portfolio Pathway Experience (Mr R. John)
- 1110 – 1135 Significance of Soft Skills and Communication Skills in Surgical Training
- 1135 – 1210 Question and Answer Session

## Afternoon Session (1245–1615 hours)

- 1245 – 1330 Gathering Workplace-Based Assessments (WBAs) and Logbook Entries
- 1330 – 1415 Building a Comprehensive Research Portfolio (including Quality Improvement Projects and Audits)

**1415 – 1425**

**Break**

- 1425 – 1510 CV and Compiling Evidence
- 1510 – 1555 Leadership and Management Portfolio, Safety, Communication, MDT, and Governance Portfolio
- 1555 – 1615 Closing Remarks and Feedback

# Faculty List

## Course Convenor

### **Mr Jehan Zaib**

MBBS, FCPS, MRCS, FRCS, PGCert (Surgical Education)  
Consultant Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgeon  
Hywel Dda University Health Board, Wales

## Speakers

### **Mr Krishna Kumar**

MBBS, MS (Orth), DNB (Orth), MRCS (Ireland), FRCS (T&O), EBOT (European Board Orthopaedics)  
Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon  
North Cumbria Integrated Care, Carlisle

### **Mr Rakesh John**

MBBS, MS, DNB, MRCS, FRCS (Orth), FRCS (International), Dip. SICOT, MNAMS  
Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon  
Macclesfield District General Hospital, Macclesfield

### **Mr Kamran Hafeez**

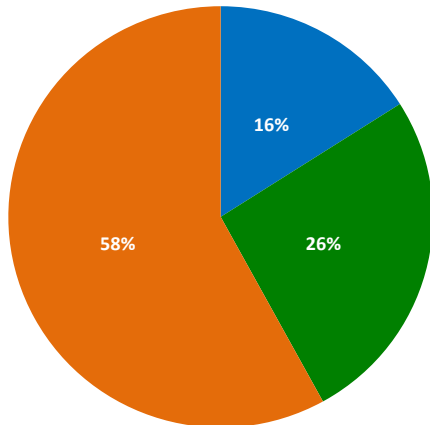
MBBS, MCPS (Surg), MRCS (UK), FCPS (Orth), FRCS (Orth)  
Fellow in Lower Limb Arthroplasty  
University Hospitals of Derby and Burton NHS Trust, England

### **Mr Aatif Mahmood**

MRCS, MCh (Orth), FEBOT, FRCS (Orth), PGCert  
Zimmer Biomet Robotic Knee Fellow  
Ysbyty Gwynedd Hospital, Wales

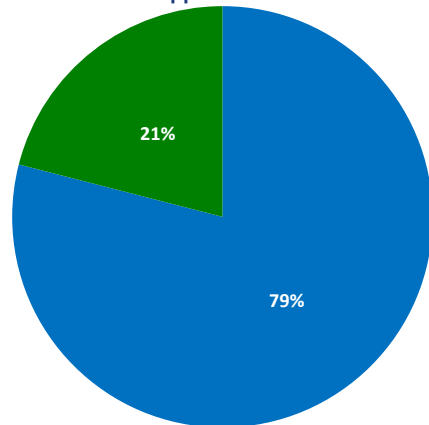
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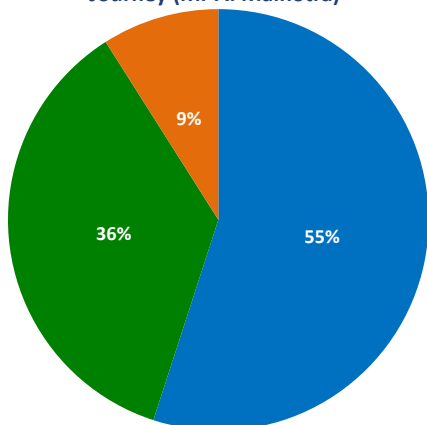
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After having attended this course, how confident are you now about submitting your application?



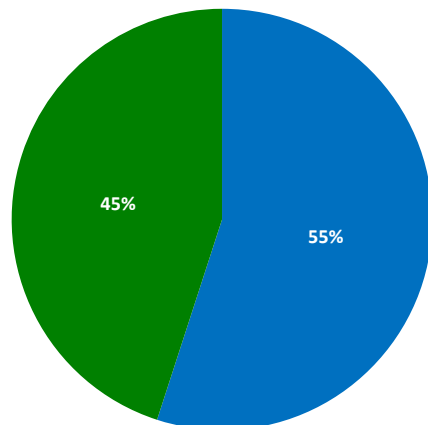
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Specialty Trainee 3 (ST3) and National Training Number (NTN): An Overview of the Journey (Mr A. Malhotra)



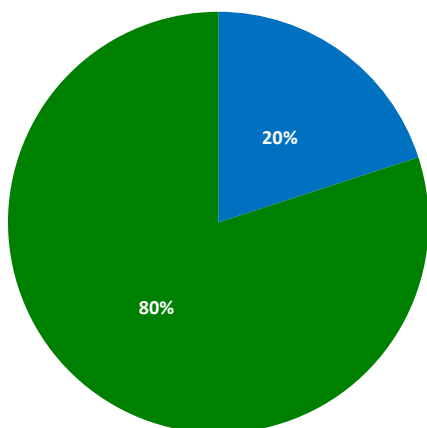
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10 Mistakes in Portfolio Pathway Applications (Mr K. Kumar)



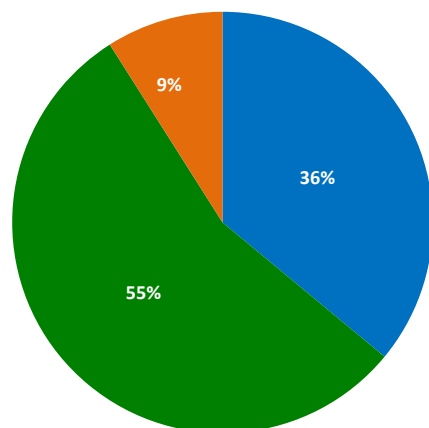
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Assessing the Self-Assessment Sheet (Mr D. Gurrero)



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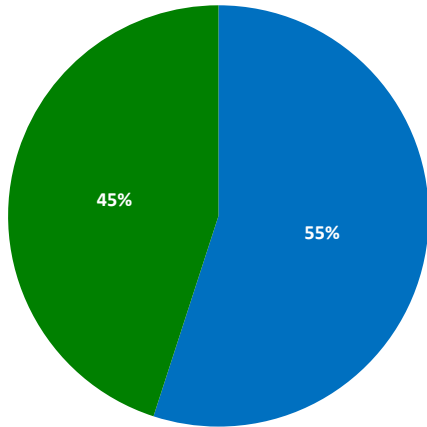
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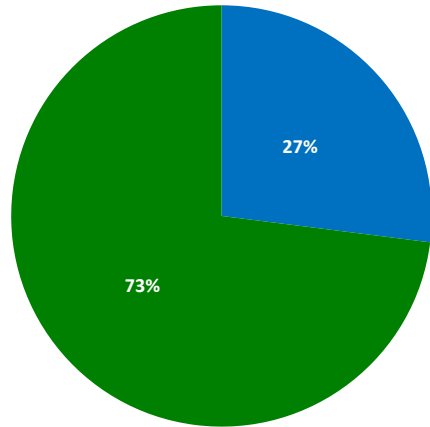
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Portfolio Pathway Experience (Mr R. John)



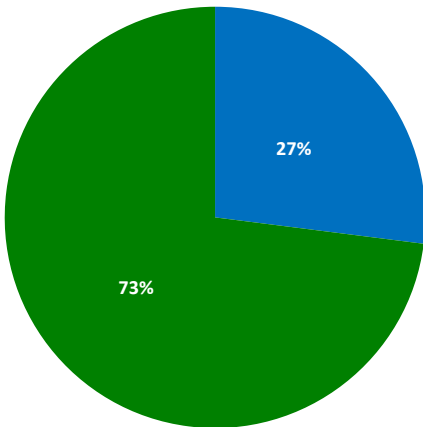
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Portfolio Pathway: An Assessor's View (Mr A. Middleton)



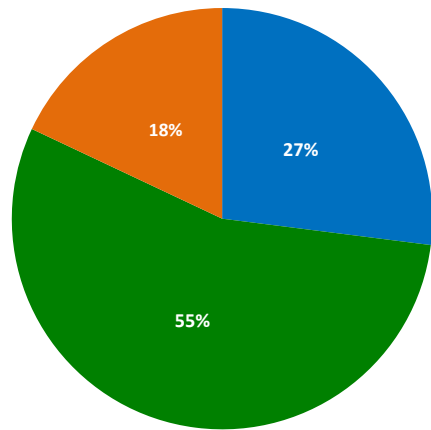
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Significance of Soft Skills and Communication in Surgical Training (Dr R.C. Williams / Prof S. Enoch)



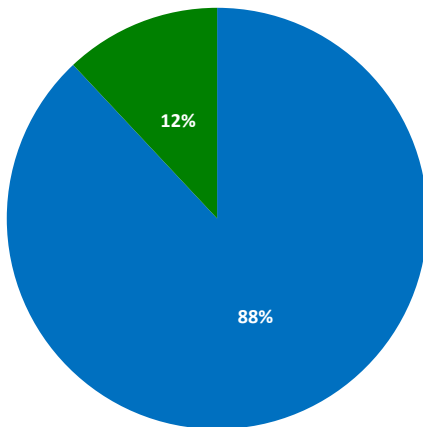
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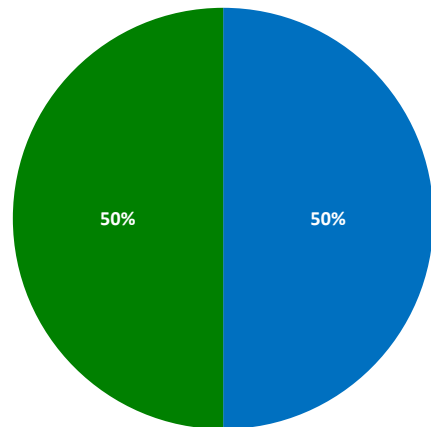
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Building a Comprehensive Research Portfolio



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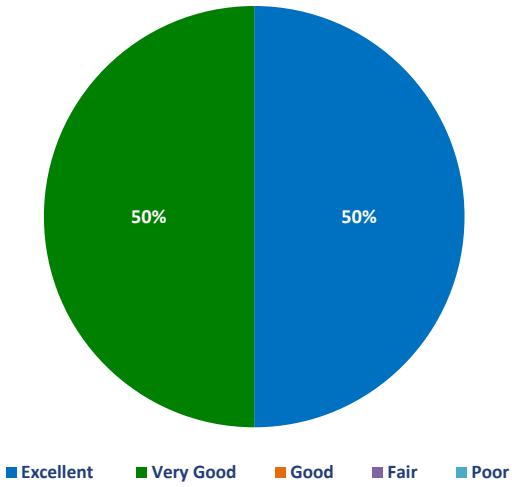
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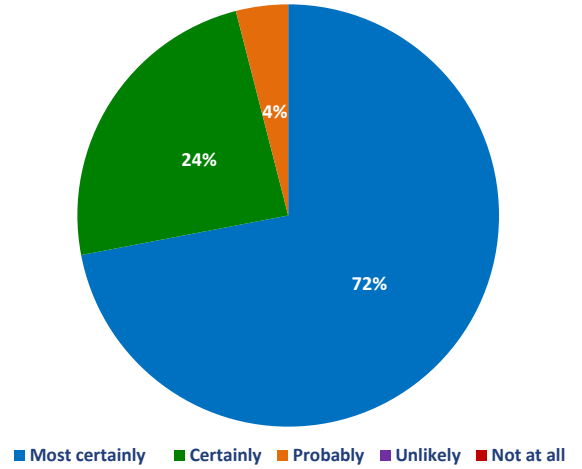
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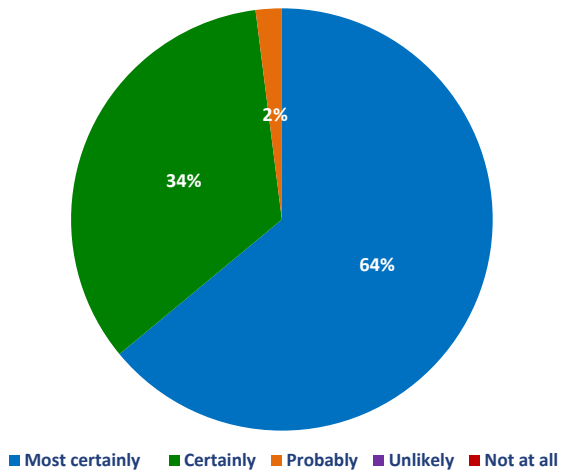
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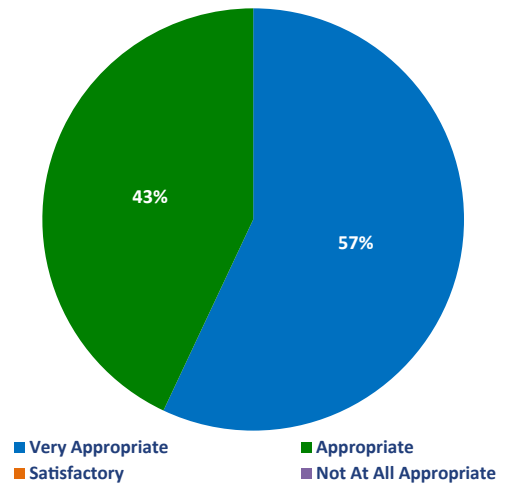
Would you recommend this course to a friend?



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



How would you rate the appropriateness of the Zoom platform for this course?





## Individual Comments

Well organised. Extremely relevant.

**NA**  
*University Hospital of North Staffordshire, Stoke on Trent*

It was very good.

**MG**  
*Northampton General Hospital, Northampton, UK*

Excellent course.

**DA**  
*Princess of Wales Hospital, Wales, UK*

This course was very good especially workshops where it was almost one to one . Would highly recommend to others.

**AV**  
*Glan Clwyd Hospital, Wales, UK*

Very Good course. Excellent teaching and very relevant to the topics.

**MJ**  
*Diana, Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby*

Excellent course.

**AB**  
*St Helier Hospital, Carshalton*

Very good.

**EC**  
*Scarborough General hospital, Toronto, Canada*

Excellent, one of the best course attended so far.

**PS**  
*Sandwell And West Birmingham Hospital Swbh NHS, United Kingdom*





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