

Year 4 Must Read



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Welcome to the eighth
Y4MR installment

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The year has flown by and you are nearing the end of your clinical blocks. You might find it helpful to revisit the OSCE tips featured the Nov MR. We wish you every success in your OSCE.

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Progress check

As you look forward to the OSCE please don't forget that in order to progress to year 5:

- You need to pass Block 8. Please don't be tempted to skip sessions. Full attendance is not only required but is the best way to pick up the knowledge and skills you need to succeed.
- You need to finish all of your UPSAs and Prescribing and Medicines Safety skills by the end of Block 8. If not completed there are a couple of potential outcomes
1-3 outstanding = remediate in QEPEP
4+ outstanding = mandated local elective

The process is outlined in the Handbook:

<https://www.mbchbhandbook.manchester.ac.uk/teaching-learning/year-4-teaching-learning/learning-in-clinical-placements/>

If you need advice/guidance completing these skills please ask for help
(you will have been emailed Sector specific information regarding who to contact).

Prescribing Update

Prescribing is a really important part of the foundation doctor role. Well done to the 314 of you who sat the prescribing skills assessment (PSA) practice paper; you know what to expect next year.

We hope you will follow in the footsteps of the current Year 5 who celebrated an excellent 98% pass rate for the PSA. Remember the best way to practice for your prescribing OSCE stations and clinical work is gaining real experience in your placements.



QEPEP

Make sure you get the most out of your QEPEP. It's a great opportunity to spend a chunk of time doing something you are interested in. Have a think about what you would like to achieve during it and discuss this at or before the start with your supervisor. It might be a good opportunity to submit an abstract to a conference. It's worth reviewing online guidance before you start including the essentials of quality improvement module;

<https://www.onemedlearn.manchester.ac.uk/blog/cases/essentials-of-quality-improvement/?module=4925&acyear=2018-2019>

There is lots of advice on how to write an abstract and useful poster templates etc.;

<https://www.onemedinfo.manchester.ac.uk/blog/infoobjects/conferences/>

And where to look for support with funding if you do get an abstract accepted;

<https://www.onemedinfo.manchester.ac.uk/blog/infoobjects/mbchb-bursary/>