

Important GMC announcement: major changes to training and assessment

The GMC has just announced details of its new standards for the provision of postgraduate medical education in the UK, including a Generic Professional Capabilities (GPC) Framework. These changes represent a major shift in the approach to training and assessment, and will determine how curricula are revised in the future. It is of great importance that all trainers and trainees take the time to [learn more about them](#).

Incorporating the GPC Framework into all curricula ensures that professionalism will receive the emphasis it deserves throughout training, and that doctors will develop the key professional values and behaviours, knowledge and skills expected of them. These will carry the same weight as clinical knowledge and skills, and will be assessed continuously at all stages of training.

These changes are designed to instigate a more holistic, outcome-based approach to assessment, incorporating more global judgements from trainers at specific waypoints. The JCST has worked closely with the GMC during their development and welcomes the changes. We are working on guidance to support specialties in adapting their curricula to meet the new requirements.

Details of the changes can be found on the [GMC website](#).