

Clinical Scientists not in an HSST programme – Clinical Biochemistry FRCPATH examination

Following a number of requests from Clinical Scientists not in an HSST programme about the transitional arrangements for the Clinical Biochemistry examination, the following rules will apply going forward:

1. Clinical Scientist candidates who have:
 - a. passed both modules of the FRCPATH Part 2 examination **and**
 - b. passed their most recent FRCPATH Part 2 module since Spring 2017will be eligible to proceed to Fellowship without the requirement to complete a project. This includes candidates who have been granted a 7-year extension since Spring 2017.

2. Clinical Scientist candidates who have:
 - a. passed the old-style written, practical and oral examinations **and**
 - b. passed their oral examination since Spring 2017will be considered eligible to proceed to Fellowship without the requirement to complete a project. This includes candidates who have been granted a 7-year extension since Spring 2017.

3. Clinical Scientist candidates who have:
 - a. passed FRCPATH Part 1 but
 - b. have **not** yet completed both modules of the FRCPATH Part 2 examinationwill be considered to have passed overall once they have passed both modules. Candidates will be considered eligible to proceed to Fellowship without the requirement to complete a project.

Any candidate whose last exam pass is before Spring 2017 and has not yet submitted an application for a [7-year extension](#) is encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

Candidates who have already contacted the examinations department will be emailed and informed about which category they belong to and what further steps, if any, are required.

The Examinations Committee will be asked to approve candidates who have now met the requirements of the Clinical Biochemistry examination in full in September 2024, following which Council will provide ratification in November 2024. Applications received after this time will be dealt with in successive Examinations Committee and Council meetings.