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Certificate in Gastroenterology (Surgery) Examination Regulations

1. There is no written examination.
2. The examination will consist of six clinical cases.
3. Each candidate will have 15 minutes to read through each case vignette and radiological imaging before being examined in a 20 minute oral examination by two examiners. In other words, each candidate will have six orals.
4. The cases will be blueprinted according to the curriculum.
5. The examiner's questions will be structured and answer rating scales will be applied. Each examiner will mark independently and an average of the two examiner's marks will constitute the mark for the given oral examination.
6. The examiner's questions for each case will be relevant to the case and may include any aspect of the prescribed curriculum relevant to the case.
7. To pass the examination a candidate may fail one of the orals and an overall average for the examination must be greater than or equal to 50%.
8. There is no compensation of any mark.