

CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL OF INTERN TRAINING NETWORKS

The following factors are critical to the approval by the Medical Council:

a. Experience/ qualifications / capabilities of the Network Coordinator

The Medical Council will seek evidence that each Network Coordinator has the necessary experience, qualifications and training in their role to perform it satisfactorily.

b. The quality of the trainers who will be assessing an intern's progress

The Medical Council will seek an assurance from each Network that the trainers are on the Specialist Division of the Medical Council's Register and that the Network Coordinators will quality assure trainers' fulfilment of training responsibilities.

c. Training programme

The Council has previously endorsed the draft intern curriculum from the National Committee on Medical Education and Research Sub-Committee; the Networks will be required to provide evidence of an educational and training programme congruent with this and with the Medical Council's Domains of Good Professional Practice **(appendix 1)**.

d. Assessment

The Council has approved criteria for granting a certificate of experience at the end of the intern year **(appendix 2)**. Networks will be asked to demonstrate how they will assess intern performance in accordance with these criteria prior to sign-off, as well as providing plans to deal with poor performance by an intern.