

Fellowship of the Faculty of Intensive Care Medicine (FFICM)

The FFICM Examination is now a mandatory requirement for trainees wishing to complete a CCT in Intensive Care Medicine (either as a standalone CCT or dual CCT).

Similar to the FRCA Examination it is composed of a set of both Primary FFICM and Final FFICM Examinations.

There is no set Primary FFICM Examination at this point but being in possession of ones of the following qualifications allows candidates to proceed directly to the Final FFICM Examination:

- FRCA Primary
- MRCP (UK) – All parts
- MCEM – All parts

The Final FFICM Examination has three components:

- MCQ Paper (Composed of MTF and SBA Questions)
- OSCE Examination
- SOE Examination

Similar to the Primary FRCA, a pass in the MCQ paper must be achieved before candidates are allowed to sit the OSCE/SOE Examination. On first attempt, the OSCE and SOE examinations can be taken on the same day.

At the time of writing, all components of the Final FFICM (including the MCQ paper) are taken at the RCOA in London.

The Final FFICM can be completed at any point during Stage 2 ICM training. All parts must be completed for ICM trainees to be eligible to enter Stage 3 of ICM training.

We hope the following links will help candidates in their preparation for this examination.

Previous questions

- Please see previous questions document on SICS website.

Examination calendar

<http://www.ficm.ac.uk/sites/default/files/FICM-FFICM%20Examination%20Calendar%202015%20to%202017.pdf>

Sample MCQ, OSCE and SOE questions provided by FICM

<http://www.ficm.ac.uk/sites/default/files/FICM-FFICM-Example-Questions-Apr-16.pdf>

Useful resources

- Books
 - Critical Care MCQs – A companion to Intensive Care Exams
 - Intensive Care Medicine MCQs
 - Critical Care Secrets
 - Oh's Intensive Care
 - Key Clinical Topics in Critical Care

- Internet resources
 - Crit-IQ
 - Up to date
 - Life in the Fast Lane
 - You tube Lectures
 - ICU Trials App