DRANZCOG OSCE

April 2014 Summary

The DRANZCOG Oral Examination is an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE). Candidates are required to complete fifteen cases each of seven minutes duration, plus three minutes reading time prior to the commencement of the case. The DRANZCOG Oral Examination is a carefully planned and highly structured examination. It is designed to test the clinical competence of a candidate in the areas of obstetrics and gynaecology.

Four of the fifteen topics listed below are Critical Skills Stations. These are identified with an asterisk (*). In addition to obtaining an overall result that equals or exceeds the pass mark for the examination, candidates will have to pass three of the four critical skills stations to achieve a pass in the examination.

Station 1 – Eclampsia*
- To assess the candidates ability to manage an eclamptic fit.

Station 2 – HRT
- To take a history and discuss management options in a woman complaining of symptoms consistent with oestrogen deficiency due to menopause.

Station 3 – Vaginal Breech Birth
- To assess the candidate's ability to safely manage a vaginal breech birth.

Station 4 – Ultrasound at 18 Weeks
- To assess the candidates knowledge regarding interpretation of a morphology scan and to explain the significance of the findings.

Station 5 – Shoulder Dystocia*
- To assess the candidates ability to manage shoulder dystocia.

Station 6 – Unexplained Still Birth
- To assess the candidate's skills at managing a poor obstetric outcome.

Station 7 – Menorrhagia
- To assess the candidate's knowledge and subsequent management of the patient presenting with menorrhagia.

Station 8 – Consent for Caesarean Section
- To assess the candidates ability to obtain informed consent before a caesarean section procedure.

Station 9 – Management of Postpartum Haemorrhage*
- To test the candidate's ability to manage a postpartum haemorrhage.

Station 10 – Endometriosis
- To assess the candidates ability to take a focused history and instigate appropriate management of the patient presenting with symptoms suggestive of endometriosis.

Station 11 – Management of Pre-Term Labour
- To assess the candidates knowledge of the management of pre-term labour.

Station 12 – Possible Thyroid Disease in Pregnancy
- To assess the candidate's knowledge and management of the pregnant woman presenting with hyperemesis and possible thyroid disease.

Station 13 – Resuscitation of the Neonate*
- To assess the candidate's ability to resuscitate a compromised neonate.

Station 14 – 6 Week Post-Partum Visit
- To assess the candidate's ability to adequately perform a 6 week post-partum visit.

Station 15 – Advanced Maternal Age
- To assess the candidate's understanding of risks associated with pregnancy in the older woman.