OVERVIEW

This unique one day course will cover the core curriculum subjects examined in the DRCOG examination using a tried and tested bite sized approach to highlight key facts and topics. Following a brief tutorial in the core subjects, practice questions will be attempted and then a discussion of which are, and more importantly why these are the correct answers. This follows a similar approach to the RCOG revision guide to the DRCOG and is the only face to face course available currently in the UK. With the vast array of guidelines and internet resources it can be difficult to know where to start with revision and exam practice. This course aims to address those needs by signposting key resources that are used in writing the exam questions. The course has been designed by previous committee members who have written exam questions so have a unique insight into the structure of the exam.

The DRCOG is a useful qualification for GPs both in training and in practice. It credentials an interest in women’s health which forms a significant part of a GP’s workload. The DRCOG is a clinically orientated examination anchored in topics regularly encountered in general practice. It is an achievable qualification with a combination of clinical experience and focussed revision. Additional qualifications alongside MRCGP can be the foundation of developing a special interest or extended role both in general practice and in closer links with colleagues in secondary care.

Who should attend?
The course is aimed at all candidates attempting the DRCOG. The DRCOG examination is ideally suited to trainees in an obstetrics and gynaecology post as part of their general practice or foundation. Previous feedback has shown that GP trainees who aren’t doing O&G as part of their training specifically take the DRCOG as they recognise that women’s health will form a large part of their workload once qualified. The DRCOG also helps qualified GPs to consolidate their knowledge of O&G and potentially develop an extended role. Based on evidence from other RCOG face to face courses, this course will improve the chances of exam success at the DRCOG.

Learning Objectives
- To review core clinical material across the breadth of the DRCOG curriculum
- To focus on bite sized key facts
- To signpost resources for revision and clinical practice
- To practice exam questions and discuss the answers

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PROGRAMME

Saturday 2 March

8.30am  REGISTRATIONS AND REFRESHMENTS

"Have a go" - there are 10 practice questions in the booklet on the first session on contraception
and fertility: please open your booklets and start on these questions whilst we await late arrivals

9.00am  Introduction - how to tackle the exam
Miss Sue Ward

9.15am  Contraception/Fertility

10.00am Discussion of practice questions on topic

10.35am Urogynaecology - prolapse

10.55am Discussion of practice questions on topic

11.15am REFRESHMENTS

11.30am Early pregnancy problems

12.15pm Discussion of practice questions on topic

12.30pm  Practice mini – exam paper; 15 EMQs and 15 SBA questions
(Delegates can go for lunch as soon as they have finished)

12.45pm  LUNCH (2 course standing fork lunch)

1.45pm Menopause

2.30pm Practice questions on topic and discussion

2.45pm Maternal medicine and antenatal care

3.30pm Practice questions on topic and discussion

3.45pm REFRESHMENTS

4.00pm Menstrual Disorders

4.30pm Practice questions on topic and discussion

4.45pm Discussion of answers practice exam paper answers; 15 EMQs and 15 SBAs

5.45pm CLOSE