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Welcome to the FOM Newsletter.

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### FOM and SOM membership survey results

Last week we published the results of the membership survey undertaken late in 2014. The Presidents of FOM and SOM outlined the results and presented an executive summary.

The survey showed that there is strong support from members of FOM and/or SOM for joint work between the two organisations.

The Trustees of the Society and the Faculty are arranging a joint strategic away day to discuss the results, our future priorities and agree where and how we can align our work in the light of your feedback.

We have also published the raw data in full, in response to requests from members.

You can find all this information on the **members' area** of the website, which requires you to login using your default email address and password.

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## Vacancy reminder for trainee representative on the Board

Dr Rae-Wen Chang has indicated her intention to step down from this role, which she has held since August 2012, after the Registrars' conference in March. She is happy to discuss the role, in confidence, with any trainee who might be interested in standing for election. Anyone interested can get in touch with Rae-Wen by email.

Further information, including details of the role and how to apply, can be found

on the website and in the recent trainee newsletter.

#### Deadline for receipt of nominations: 10 00 am on Wednesday 18 February 2015

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#### National School of Occupational Health newsletter

The National School of Occupational Health has published its latest newsletter.

The bulletin features updates on the Board of the School; national ARCP panels; and key dates for 2015, particularly the deadlines for national recruitment.

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### HAVS directory - eligibility clarification

Last year we announced that we will be launching a directory for HAVS certified doctors and nurses on the Faculty's website. The purpose of the directory is to assist commissioners of HAVS services to identify suitably qualified people.

We have been asked to clarify the eligibility criteria for appearing on the HAVS directory.

There is no requirement for you to have previously purchased a FOM HAVS certificate (pre 2014) for your name to appear on the list; however you must provide verfication that you have passed the HAVS assessment at an FOM accredited course centre.

Full details of the eligibility requirements and information about how to join the directory can be found on the website.

Thank you to those of you who have already submitted your website listing form; if we are having trouble verifying your HAVS qualification, we will be in contact shortly by email to ask you to provide appropriate documents.

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## HHP advanced skills training - communication skills: 11 March 2015

The Faculty is running a Health for Health Professionals (HHP) advanced skills training day on communication skills on Wednesday 11 March 2015.

This one day session will focus on building skills in difficult areas of practice, including dealing with conflict, negotiation and behaviour change. 5 CPD points have been awarded and the cost is  $\pounds$ 75 for members and  $\pounds$ 40 for trainees.

Places at this workshop are limited to those who have attended HHP core competency training.

You can register now online through the **website** or by completing the **booking** form.

Places are still available for the HHP core competency training days on:

Wednesday 13 May - FOM office, London Wednesday 16 September - FOM office, London Wednesday 14 October - FOM office, London

For any enquiries, please contact Patrick Cullen.

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# Registrars' conference: 17-18 March, Pembroke College, Oxford

The Faculty is delighted to be holding our inaugural **Registrars' Conference** on 17-18 March 2015, a two-day event to explore educational and career opportunities for trainee occupational physicians.

Taking place at Pembroke College in Oxford, the conference will feature a comprehensive programme of talks on topics of interest to the Faculty's trainees.

You can book online via the **website** or by completing the **booking form on the flyer** and returning it, along with payment, to the Faculty.

At this stage registration is only open to registrars; if there are spaces remaining, priority will be given to recently qualified specialists in occupational medicine.

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With best wishes

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