

THURSDAY 21 MAY 2015

Welcome to the FOM Newsletter.

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## Faculty blog expanded with guest contributors

We are pleased to announce that the Faculty blog site has now been expanded to include guest contributions from officers and members alike.

Dr Lachlan Mackay Brown, Consultant Occupational Physician with the Royal Navy, has written a [piece about the wide variety of his role](#).

Dr Ian Aston, Academic Dean of the Faculty, has also written a piece which was published on the [BMA Communities website](#), as well as the Faculty blog.

He discusses [the role of occupational medicine in the undergraduate curriculum](#), following a recent symposium hosted by University College London, aimed at increasing exposure of occupational medicine to undergraduates.

We would love to hear from members, so please do leave a comment on the blog posts if you want to share your view.

If you would like to write a blog for the Faculty site, please do get in contact with [Patrick Cullen](#) to share your idea.

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## Ballot for universally elected Trustees

At the start of May, ballot papers were circulated for three Universally Elected Trustees on the Board.

All FFOM, MFOM and AFOM members should have received ballot information in the post.

The eight candidates for election are (in no particular order):

Charlie Vivian; Ralf Rudiger (Rudi) Stilz; Nigel Wilson; Ian Leitch  
Torrance; Ayodeji Oluwatosin Talabi; Imran Ghafur; Martin Tohill; Ali Hashtroudi

**The deadline for return of ballot papers is: 9 00 am on Tuesday 2 June.**

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## Faculty Quality Improvement agenda - vacancies

We are currently recruiting for a Deputy Director of Quality Improvement, as part of our commitment to supporting and promoting high standards and quality improvement.

We are also recruiting for roles on a small, short-term working group.

[Full details about the roles](#) can be found on the website, including details of how to apply.

**Deadline for applications: 10 00 am on Monday 1 June 2015**

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## Health for Health Professionals training days

Last week the Faculty hosted two Health for Health Professionals (HHP) training days.

On 13 May, Debbie Cohen and Martin Tohill ran core competency training, which was positively received by delegates.

On 14 May, we were fortunate that Anna Rowland, Assistant Director of Policy, Business Transformation and Safeguarding at the GMC and Dr Nick Brown, Consultant Psychiatrist, both agreed to run interactive sessions on their expert areas.

You can read a more detailed review of the day and find more information about the HHP programme on the [Faculty website](#).

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## NICE committee on workplace policies on health of older employees

From 28 May 2015, registration will open to observe the committee meeting for Workplace policies and approaches to promote and protect the health of older employees.

If you would like to register for this committee meeting, please do so via the [NICE website](#).

Public observers are able to listen to the business of the meeting, except where confidential information is being discussed, but will not be able to:

- participate in committee discussions
- ask questions, take part in voting or put your views to members of the committee

Registration for this meeting will close on 11 June at 5pm.

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## Global Corporate Challenge - call for team

## members

The Faculty has once again been invited to enter a team for the Global Corporate Challenge (GCC).

Teams of seven participate in a 100-day challenge aiming to walk 10,000 steps a day. Previous participants have found it a fun and engaging way to improve fitness.

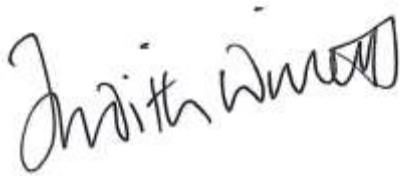
The data from participants is used by Chief Medical Officer for GCC and Faculty Fellow Dr David Batman to study the impact of exercise of employee health and wellbeing.

If you would like to take part, please send an email to [Patrick Cullen](#) confirming your interest.

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With best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Judith Willetts". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J' and 'W'.

Judith Willetts  
Chief Executive

