

Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program
McMaster University Exam Policy for Trainees
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The Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program covers the cost of the Royal College mock OSCE, MCQ and SAQ examinations and the Royal College Assessment of History and Physical Examination Skills in Pediatrics – Part I for trainees in the Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program at McMaster University. The fee for exams for trainees in fellowship programs at McMaster University is covered by the trainee's fellowship program. There is no exam cost to trainees up to PGY5 in fellowship programs outside of McMaster University providing the trainee completed his/her core residency training in the Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program at McMaster University. Trainees currently in the program are given priority for exams. If space is available, trainees in fellowship programs at McMaster and then trainees outside of McMaster will be considered for participation in the exams. Exam costs for trainees who complete their core residency training in the Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program at McMaster University and are unsuccessful in their RC Exams for a further one-year will be covered. All other trainees wishing to participate in the exams and/or exam prep sessions require approval from the Program Director, Pediatric Postgraduate Education Program, and will be charged the following fees as applicable. Payment is to be made prior to the examination.

OSCE \$ 750.00 fee

MCQ/SAQ: \$ 500.00 fee

Exam Prep Sessions \$ 500.00 fee (Wednesday lecture sessions only)

RC Part I Exam \$ 500.00 fee

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There will be a priority list for OSCE participants.

- 1) Current MacPeds program residents
- 2) Current MacPeds program residents on leave
- 3) Current McMaster Sub-Specialty residents who graduated from McMaster residency
- 4) Current Sub-Specialty residents who graduated from McMaster residency, however, are now in fellowship at a different institution
- 5) Current McMaster Sub-Specialty residents (residency not completed at McMaster)
- 6) Current Sub-Specialty residents who are not completing a fellowship at McMaster and did not complete residency at McMaster.

The current exam policy states that if a sub-specialty resident would like to participate in the OSCE, that the program would be responsible for paying a fee. It was decided that instead of

paying a fee, the division of the sub-specialty resident must arrange for a faculty member to participate as an examiner.