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Course Description

Written assessment is the cornerstone of knowledge assessment in clinical medicine. This practical workshop is designed for medical teachers from all disciplines including clinical, para-clinical, and basic science teachers with special emphasis on question writing and quality assurance.

The two-day program focuses on common forms of written assessment such as multiple choice questions (MCQs), modified essay questions (MEQs), and extended matching items (EMIs). The best practices in designing MCQs, MEQs, and EMIs will be discussed. Criteria for effective psychometric instruments such as validity, reliability and educational effect will also be embedded in the discussion. Participants will practice the best practice during hands-on activities. The last part of the workshop focuses on quality assurance and standard setting in written assessment.

The first part of the program will introduce the principles and purpose of assessment and common psychometric characteristics of assessment instruments with particular reference to written assessment. A larger second part will be devoted to common forms of written assessment such as multiple choice questions, extended matching items, and short answer questions. Hands on activity will lead to developing questions that are context-rich, interdisciplinary, and educationally meaningful. The third part of the workshop will concentrate on quality assurance and standard setting in written assessment.

Objectives:

At the end of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Develop examination blueprint for their own situations
- Develop context-rich and inter-disciplinary MCQs, MEQs, and EMIs that support student learning
- Apply the quality assurance and standard setting processes in written examination.

Competency Based Medical / Health Professional Education: **Written Assessment**

25th & 26th May 2015 (Monday & Tuesday) 8.30am - 5.30pm

**#01-01A, Level 1, Centre for Translational Medicine (CeTM)
Block MD 6, 14 Medical Drive, Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine
National University of Singapore**

Registration Fees

NUHS staff - S\$192*

(including staff on clinical faculty / adjunct scheme)

Others - S\$210*

*Fees are inclusive of GST

Registration is on a first-come-first-served basis

To register, please contact Ms Lee Ai Lian at CenMED@nuhs.edu.sg

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Closing date of registration: 25 March 2015

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Any cancellation or replacement must be conveyed in writing to the organiser. Cancellation received on or before 25 March 2015: Full refund (*less off bank charge*). Cancellation received between 26 March – 26 April 2015: Refund of 50% of the workshop fee. Cancellation received on or after 27 April 2015: No refund. Registration can be only confirmed upon full payment. CenMED reserves the rights to change the date / timing / location etc.

SMC CME / CNE / CPE accreditation are being finalised

Note for NUS Staff: This program is accredited with 2 elective hours by Centre for Development of Teaching and Learning (CDTL), NUS. For more details on CDTL accreditation, please contact Ms Doreen Thia at cddtyy@nus.edu.sg Fax: (65) 6777 0342

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