

## **HOW TO CREATE AND SHARE MCQs IN A FLAT WORLD**

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MCQs are a valid and reliable method of testing knowledge in Medical Education. They are becoming more sophisticated and flexible as on-line creation and testing becomes easier to use.

With this increase in acceptance comes a greater need for creating questions that adhere to high quality of language, style and other standards. Without such assurance of quality their validity becomes questionable so there are demands on those setting the questions to understand the principles underpinning quality control.

There are also advances in the type of visual images that can be used to test competence such as graphs, charts, ultrasound, drawings, pictures and video-clips. The platforms to support these graphics are available, as are more sophisticated methods of marking the questions and calculating each question's worth.

Participants will be guided in designing, creating, modifying and sharing MCQs with others – locally and world-wide.