

# Conducting Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCE)

## Description

Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) is a form of performance-based testing widely used in health professions education to measure candidates' clinical competence.

This workshop aims to prepare and equip faculty on the purpose and principles of using Objective Structured Clinical Examinations (OSCE), and your roles as examination item writers, examiners and overseers. The workshop will incorporate actual hands-on exercises as part of experiential learning.

## Duration

1 day

## Programme Content / Outline

This programme will cover the following topics:

1. Planning and preparing for an OSCE session
2. Writing and designing OSCE scenarios
3. Roles in conducting OSCE sessions

## Target Audience

Clinical teachers and educators from all healthcare professions, including APDs, CCFMs, Clinical Instructors, and Subject Leads, with current or future roles in assessments

## Learning Outcomes

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

1. Appreciate the rigors in the preparation and planning of an OSCE;
2. Understand the key educational principles underpinning high-stake assessment;
3. Formulate defensible exam scenarios and mark sheets; and
4. Understand the roles of an OSCE examiner, item writer and overseer in conducting OSCE sessions

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## Methodology

Methodologies used will include:

1. Formal presentations and didactic lectures on planning an OSCE, and on roles and processes as an Exam Writer and Examiner
2. Hands-on exercise in break-out groups on actual writing of scenario and design of marking sheets
3. Actual participation in OSCE as candidates, examiners and observers

## Training Capacity

25 participants per run

## About the Organiser

Officially established on 19 July 2002, the National Healthcare Group (NHG) College plays an instrumental role in facilitating the continuous learning and development of our workforce, as well as, promoting systems improvement and driving leadership development in NHG. NHG College collaborates with renowned institutions and industry partners to build the pipeline and collective capacities of our leaders, educators, healthcare professionals and staff to support NHG in serving and managing the health of our patients and the population.