

RCGP Curriculum Core Capabilities (Basic Overview: On Being A GP)

Area of Capability	Core capabilities and core competences <i>To be a GP, you must be capable of:</i>
Knowing yourself and relating to others	Fitness to practise • Demonstrating the attitudes and behaviours expected of a good doctor • Managing the factors that influence your performance
	Maintaining an ethical approach • Treating others fairly and with respect, acting without discrimination • Providing care with compassion and kindness
	Communication and consultation • Establishing an effective partnership with patients • Maintaining a continuing relationship with patients, carers and families • Working as an effective team member
Applying clinical knowledge and skill	Data gathering and interpretation • Applying a structured approach to data gathering and investigation • Interpreting findings accurately to reach a diagnosis Clinical examination and procedural skills: • Demonstrating a proficient approach to clinical examination • Demonstrating a proficient approach to the performance of procedures
	Making decisions • Adopting appropriate decision-making principles • Applying a scientific and evidence-based approach
	Clinical management • Providing general clinical care to patients of all ages and backgrounds • Adopting a structured approach to clinical management • Making appropriate use of other professionals and services • Providing urgent care when needed
Managing complex and long-term care	• Enabling people living with long-term conditions to improve their health • Managing concurrent health problems within an individual patient • Adopting safe and effective approaches for patients with complex needs
	Working with colleagues and in teams • Working as an effective team member • Coordinating a team-based approach to the care of patients
Working well in organisations and systems of care	• Continuously evaluating and improving the care you provide • Adopting a safe and scientific approach to improve quality of care • Supporting the education and development of colleagues
	• Applying leadership skills to improve your organisation's performance • Making effective use of information and communication systems • Developing the financial and business skills required for your role
Caring for the whole person and the wider community	• Demonstrating the holistic mindset of a generalist medical practitioner • Supporting people through experiences of health, illness and recovery
	• Understanding the health service and your role within it • Building relationships with the communities in which you work