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# Membership by assessment of performance

The route to RCGP membership  
for established GPs

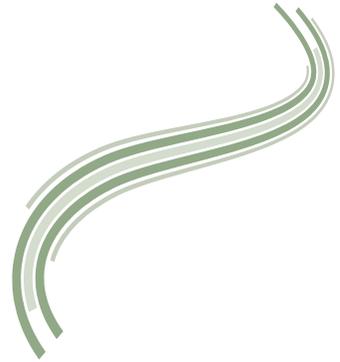




*Preparation for the MAP is a bit like preparing for appraisal, which might seem tiring initially but once done, one does realise its importance in reflecting on one's own performance.*

*I have learnt a lot during the whole exercise and have improved my clinical practice. So in addition to potentially gaining Membership of the Royal College I feel that am a better GP.*

**Dr Awan, Blackburn**



## KEY FACTS ABOUT MAP

Over five years you complete a comprehensive portfolio of 13 criteria using templates provided, covering all aspects of your practice

MAP can help with appraisals and revalidation - five of the criteria mirror what you need to produce for revalidation

Candidates submit sets of criteria (minimum of three criteria in a set) on an annual basis. Candidates may still submit all 13 criteria for assessment in a set if they wish to achieve membership of the RCGP in an accelerated timeframe

Additional support is available through study days and local RCGP Faculty advisers

It's a developmental process – you are given feedback by MAP assessors who are practising GPs themselves

GPs from a range of working patterns have successfully completed MAP. MAP encourages you to take a step back from your day to day practice and reflect on what you are doing

A handbook, extra guidance and sample portfolio are freely available on the RCGP website to help you complete the portfolio

### FOR MORE FACTS

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MAP candidates receive discounted associate RCGP membership for the period they are MAP candidates (maximum of five years), which brings with it benefits including free publications and bulletins; the Online Learning Environment (OLE); courses and careers information; and networking opportunities, including the annual National Conference. For more details contact RCGP Membership at [membership@rcgp.org.uk](mailto:membership@rcgp.org.uk)

*I have developed greater confidence that I am delivering Patient Care more effectively, contributing more to the smooth management of the practice, and given me insights which help my role as supervisor of GP Registrars in the out of hours setting. MAP has encouraged me to explore and reflect on wider possibilities of professional and personal development.*

**Dr Baroni, London**