



**Report of the Fitness to Practise Committee
following an Inquiry held pursuant to Part 8
of the Medical Practitioners Act 2007**

Registered Medical Practitioner:	Dr. Irfan Ullah Khan
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Registered Address:	8 Glenview Galway Road Roscommon
Date of Inquiry:	21 st May 2012
Members of Inquiry Committee:	Mr. Brendan Broderick (Chair) Dr. Tim O'Neill Dr. Abdul Bulbulia
Legal Assessor:	Mr. Seamus Woulfe S.C.
Appearances - For the Chief Executive:	Mr. JP Mc Dowell of Mc Dowell Purcell Solicitors.
For the Practitioner:	Mr Kevin Brophy of Brophy Solicitors

Findings of the Committee:

Allegation 1:

That Dr Khan while sitting the Royal College of Physicians, Part 1 Membership Examination on or around 22 September 2009:

- a) Procured one or more answers to questions in the multiple choice section from Candidate X and/or Candidate X's examination paper; and/or
- b) Colluded with Candidate X in order to cheat during the said examination; and/or
- c) Breached MRCP(UK) Regulation (2009) 7.2.13 which is as follows:

“Whilst in the Examination hall, a candidate must not attempt to read the work of any other candidate or communicate in any way with any other candidate or any other person without the express permission of the invigilator”;

Having regard to the evidence adduced, the Committee found that :

Allegation 1(a) was proven as to fact.

Reason:

The statistical evidence satisfied the Committee beyond reasonable doubt.

Allegation 1(a) did amount to professional misconduct.

Reason:

The Committee was satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that this is conduct which doctors of experience, competence and good repute would consider disgraceful and dishonourable.

Allegation 1(b) was not proven as to fact.

Allegation 1(c) was proven as to fact.

Reason:

The statistical evidence satisfied the Committee beyond reasonable doubt.

Allegation 1(c) did amount to professional misconduct.

Reason:

The Committee was satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that this is conduct which doctors of experience, competence and good repute would consider disgraceful and dishonourable.

Allegation 2:

That Dr Khan while sitting the Royal College of Physicians, Part 1 Membership Examination on or around 18 January 2011:

- a) Procured one or more answers to questions in the multiple choice section from Candidate Y and/or Candidate Y's examination paper; and/or
- b) Colluded with Candidate Y in order to cheat during the said examination; and/or
- c) Breached MRCP(UK) Regulation (2011) 11.2.13, which is as follows:
 - 1. *"Whilst in the Examination hall, a candidate must not attempt to read the work of any other candidate or communicate in any way with any other candidate or any other person without the express permission of the invigilator";*

Allegation 2(a) was proven as to fact.

The statistical evidence satisfied the Committee beyond reasonable doubt.

Allegation 2(a) did amount to professional misconduct.

Reason:

The Committee was satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that this is conduct which doctors of experience, competence and good repute would consider disgraceful and dishonourable.

Allegation 2(b) was not proven as to fact.

Allegation 2(c) was proven as to fact.

Reason:

The statistical evidence satisfied the Committee beyond reasonable doubt.

Allegation 2(c) did amount to professional misconduct.

Reason:

The Committee was satisfied beyond reasonable doubt that this is conduct which doctors of experience, competence and good repute would consider disgraceful and dishonourable.

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Chairperson

21st May 2012.
Date