





MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between the Royal College of General Practitioners, UK and Romanian National Society of Family Medicine/General Practice together with Romanian Medical Society UK

It is generally and informally agreed that:

The Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) and the Romanian National Society of Family Medicine/General Practice (SNMF), together with the Romanian Medical Society UK (SMR UK), will work together to further develop family medicine in Romania. This collaboration may embrace project work whose objectives and activities might include:

Objectives

- Working in partnership to further develop broad-based medical curricula, relevant to family medicine, in which skills and attitudes are identified as well as knowledge.
- Helping in the development of training programmes for family medicine doctors in the community who will have a mentoring role for young residents and students attached to them.
- Collaborating in the development of rigorous exam methodologies to ensure that the
 residents' knowledge, skills and attitudes are tested in appropriate ways and in culturally
 relevant settings, in both written and clinical skills formats.
- · Collaborating on joint research programmes, subject to specific agreements

Activities

To achieve these objectives the parties will collaborate in a number of ways including:

- Promoting exchange of teachers for short term, and possibly longer-term, attachments and training programmes
- Facilitating exchange of postgraduate residents
- Participation, where possible, in symposia, conferences, workshops and meetings on family medicine and research issues
- Collaboration on joint research programmes, subject to specific agreements

Financial Arrangements

Should any programme or activity be presented for support, financial arrangements will be negotiated and agreed by both parties. The financial arrangements, rights to intellectual property and publication of articles relating to each project and programme of cooperation will be in accordance with the specific agreement arrived at for that specific activity.

Coordination

Each party will be willing to use its best endeavours to work together offering advice and help with jointly agreed projects, activities and programmes.

Each institution will nominate one key representative in charge of the programme of collaboration. In the first instance *Dr Razvan Florentin Miftode* is nominated as representative of SNMF, *Dr Mihaela Carmaciu* as representative of SMR UK and *Dr Garth Manning* as representative of RCGP. The nominated representatives are tasked with acting as main contacts for individual and group activities and planning and coordinating all activities within his own institution. The representatives should meet on a regular basis to evaluate past activities and to plan for future collaboration programmes.

Duration of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding will last in the first instance for three years from date of signature, indicating approval by all institutions. It can be modified or amended or renewed at any time during that period, with the agreement of all parties. It may be terminated by either party, giving three months advance notification.

Signed on behalf of the Royal College of General Practitioners

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