

## 2024-10-04 - Publishing Friday 4 October - updated *Achieving good medical practice*

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**Subject:** Publishing Friday 4 October – updated *Achieving good medical practice*

Dear both

I'm writing to let you know that on Friday 4 October we'll publish updated versions of *Achieving good medical practice – guidance for medical students* and *Achieving good medical practice – guidance for physician associate and anaesthesia associate students*.

This follows updates to bring them in line with *Good medical practice 2024*, the professional standards that set out the care and behaviour expected of all those registered with us.

From 9am tomorrow you'll be able to view the updated guidance plus a summary of what has changed using the following links:

[Achieving good medical practice 2024 - guidance for medical students](#) (English)

[Achieving good medical practice 2024 - guidance for medical students](#) (Welsh)

[Achieving good medical practice 2024 - guidance for PA and AA students](#) (English)

[Achieving good medical practice 2024 - guidance for PA and AA students](#) (Welsh)

### **Enhancing *Achieving good medical practice***

*Achieving good medical practice – guidance for medical students* outlines the behaviours expected of medical students. *Achieving good medical practice – guidance for PA and AA students* is the equivalent for those on PA and AA courses. They demonstrate how the principles and values of *Good medical practice* apply to students, and provides them with an understanding of the core standards that will help them both now and in the future.

The guidance now contains enhanced principles on creating fairer workplaces, tackling discrimination, and supporting continuity of care. We've strengthened our principles to help students when managing uncertainty. And we've added additional information on taking care of their wellbeing.

However, this is just the first stage of our review of the guidance, and in the coming years we'll consult on further changes as part of our project on the future of career development and education.

We co-produce the two versions of *Achieving good medical practice* with two separate organisations - the Medical Schools Council and the Physician Associate Schools Council. The content is very similar but has small differences to reflect nuances in certain aspects of learning.

Both versions are guidance only as we do not monitor medical students' fitness to practise and will not monitor PA and AA students' fitness to practise when regulation starts in December 2024.

I hope this update has been useful. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me; or email Natalie Fine, Policy Manager at [natalie.fine@gmc-uk.org](mailto:natalie.fine@gmc-uk.org).

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