EBHS Diploma Examination

Oral examination guidelines

The oral exam consists of 3 oral examinations of 30 minutes each. The 3 oral exams are assigned to specific topics.

Each candidate should be asked at least 1 question (case) from the following „main” topics.

Oral 1:  Acute trauma
- Fractures/ dislocation
- Nerve injury
- Tendon injury flexor and extensor
- Soft tissue defect
- Complex hand injury
- Amputation/ Replant
- Burns
- Compartment syndrome

Oral 2 :  Reconstruction after trauma and secondary reconstruction
- Contracture after trauma
- Skin contracture
- Non union
- Carpal instability
- Secondary tendon reconstruction
- Secondary nerve reconstruction

  Degenerative
  - Osteoarthritis
  - Rheumatoid arthritis

Oral 3 :  Miscellany
- Dupuytren’s disease
- Neurological disorder eg nerve compression/ ant interosseous syndrome/ Kiloh-Nevin/ brachial plexus
- Congenital – maximum one case per exam
- Tumours – soft tissue and bone – max one case per viva
- Systemic sclerosis
• Tendinopathies (eg de Quervain)
• Infection
• CRPS
• Factitious disorders
• Vascular disorders
• M. Kienboeck

Each viva voce should be based on no fewer than three cases.

Questions about cerebral palsy and tetraplegia should be reserved for outstanding candidates.

Each candidate should be asked questions from as wide a spread of the above contents of each section as possible, whilst ensuring adequate testing of the candidate’s knowledge. Please try not to cross over into one of the other vivas.

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