

### Half-Day Release Course Timetable 2010 - 2013

<b>2010</b>		
<i>Autumn term</i>	7 October – 16 December	11 sessions (+ 5 extra for October 2010 trainees)
30 Sep	Introduction – ‘Breaking the Ice’ – Dr. Renzo Degabriele (October 2010 GP trainees only)	
7 Oct	Environment and Health 6 : Genetically modified food, food additives – Dr. Jason Bonnici and Ms. Eliza Camilleri	
14 Oct	Environment and Health 4 : Chemicals, pesticides – Dr. Jason Bonnici	
21 Oct	Environment and Health 5 : Endocrine-disrupting substances, heavy metals – Dr. Jason Bonnici	
22 Oct	Basic Communication Skills 1 – Dr. D. Cassar and Dr. P. Sciortino (October 2010 GP trainees only)	
28 Oct	Stress Management – Dr. Daniel Sammut	
29 Oct	Basic Communication Skills 2 – Dr. D. Cassar and Dr. P. Sciortino (October 2010 GP trainees only)	
4 Nov	Agenzija SAPPOR – Mr. Marcel Pisani	
5 Nov	Basic Communication Skills 3 – Dr. D. Cassar and Dr. P. Sciortino (October 2010 GP trainees only)	
11 Nov	Agenzija APPOGG	
12 Nov	Basic Communication Skills 4 – Dr. D. Cassar and Dr. P. Sciortino (October 2010 GP trainees only)	
18 Nov	The Role of the Nurse in Primary & Community Health – Ms. Rebecca Cachia Fearn and Ms. Mariella Bombagi	
25 Nov	Diet and the Nutritionist in Primary Health – Ms. Maria Ellul	
2 Dec	The GP and the Law- Dr. Joseph Portelli Demajo	
9 Dec	IT in General Practice – Dr. Kenneth Vassallo	
16 Dec	Practice Management – Dr. Daniel Sammut	

<b>2011</b>		
<i>Winter term</i>	6 January – 14 April	13 sessions
6 Jan	Study time – lecture cancelled due to indisposition of lecturer	
13 Jan	Medical Leadership 1: The identity of the Clinical Leader – Dr Paul Micallef	
21 Jan	Gastroenterology & Family Medicine – Dr Pierre Ellul	
27 Jan	Medical Leadership 2: Human Resource Management and Medical Leadership – Dr Silvio Debono	
4 Feb	The physical & more ... - Dr Doreen Cassar & Dr Sonia Abela	
17 Feb	Medical Leadership 3: Prioritising Resources from the Financial Perspective – Mr Marvic Fenech Adami	
24 Feb	Medical Leadership 4: Communication in Medical Leadership & Management – Ms Mireille Pellegrini Petit	
3 Mar	Study time – lecture postponed to 14 April	
10 Mar	Update in Orthopaedics and General Practice 2 – Mr. Ivan Esposito and Mr. Charles Grixti	
17 Mar	Update in Orthopaedics and General Practice 3 – Mr. Ray Gatt and Mr. Joe Borg	
24 Mar	Update in Orthopaedics and General Practice 4 – Mr. Jason Zammit	
7 Apr	Health Risk Assessment – Dr. Anthony Mifsud	
14 Apr	Programme Evaluation & Review Session – Dr Mario R Sammut Update in Orthopaedics and General Practice 1– Mr. Thomas Azzopardi	

<b>2011</b>		
<i>Spring term</i>	5 May – 30 June	9 sessions
5 May	Cardiovascular Disease – Dr. Jurgen Abela	
11 May	Communication Skills ( <i>for July 09 Trainees only</i> ): Trainee Videos/Breaking Bad News – Dr. D Cassar and Dr. P Sciortino	
12 May	Communication Skills ( <i>for Oct 10 Trainees only</i> ): Trainee Videos/Breaking Bad News – Dr. D Cassar and Dr. P Sciortino	
13 May	Communication Skills ( <i>for July 08 Trainees only</i> ): Communication with children – Dr. D Cassar & Dr. P Sciortino	
19 May	Medical Leadership 5: Understanding the Public Service – Mr. Noel Ciantar	
26 May	The Full Blood Count and other aspects of Haematology in Family Medicine – Dr. David Camilleri	
2 Jun	Statistics and analysis of research papers – Dr. Neville Calleja	
9 Jun	Medical Leadership 6: Spirituality in Family Medicine and Medical Leadership – Fr. Joseph Calleja	
15 Jun	Communication Skills ( <i>for July 09 Trainees only</i> ): Communication with children – Dr. D Cassar & Dr. P Sciortino	
16 Jun	Communication Skills ( <i>for Oct 10 Trainees only</i> ): Communication with children – Dr. D Cassar & Dr. P Sciortino	
17 Jun	Communication Skills ( <i>for July 08 Trainees only</i> ): Summary session in preparation for CSA – Dr. D Cassar & Dr. P Sciortino	
23 Jun	Abuse in the Family – Dr. Ramon Tonna Dealing with the violent patient – Dr. Mariella Caruana	
30 Jun	Health Promotion in Family Practice – Dr. Mario R Sammut	

<b>2011</b>		
<i>Autumn term</i>	6 Oct – 16 Dec	10 sessions ( + 4 extra for 1 <sup>st</sup> year Trainees)
15 Jul	Introduction – ‘Breaking the Ice’ – Dr. Renzo Degabriele	
6 Oct	Migrant Health – Ms. Marika Podda Connor/ Dr. Sarah Henderson	
14 Oct	Women’s Health in Family Medicine – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Patricia De Gabriele	
20 Oct	A review of Diabetes Management I – Dr. Renzo Degabriele	
27 Oct	Child Health Surveillance and Immunization – Dr. Vicky Farrugia St’ Angelo	
3 Nov	Sport Medicine and Chronic Conditions - Dr. Aaron Formosa	
4 Nov	Communication Skills – Introduction 1 ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
10 Nov	Communication Skills – Video Sessions ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
11 Nov	Communication Skills – Introduction 2 ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
17 Nov	A review of Diabetes Management II – Dr. Renzo Degabriele	
24 Nov	Thyroid Disease and other Endocrine Problems – Dr. Renzo Degabriele	
29 Nov	The National Breast Screening Programme – Dr. N. Delicata and Mr. J. Psaila	
2 Dec	Communication Skills – Introduction 3 ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> )– Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
7 Dec	Communication Skills – Communicating with Colleagues ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
15 Dec	Breast Feeding – Ms. M’Louise Bugeja	
16 Dec	Communication Skills – Introduction 4 ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	



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<b>2012</b>		
<i>Winter term</i>	5 Jan – 29 Mar	13 sessions
5 Jan	Research in Family Medicine 1 – Dr. JK Soler	
12 Jan	Prescribing Guidelines in Family Practice – Dr. Maria Cordina	
19 Jan	Evidence-Based Practice and Personal/Professional Development – Dr. Bjorn Buhagiar	
26 Jan	Environment and Health 3: Lifestyle – Dr. Jason Bonnici	
2 Feb	Men's Health – Dr. Bjorn Buhagiar	
9 Feb	Ethical Issues in Family Medicine – Prof. Pierre Mallia	
16 Feb	Physiotherapy in Family Medicine – Mr. Geoffrey Formosa and Mr. Pierre Borg	
23 Feb	Research in Family Medicine 2 – Dr. JK Soler	
1 Mar	Research in Family Medicine 3 – Dr. JK Soler	
8 Mar	Case Discussions in Family Medicine – Dr. Chris Mercieca	
15 Mar	Patient Safety – Dr. Daniel Sammut	
22 Mar	Substance Abuse and Addiction 1 – Dr. Anna Maria Vella	
29 Mar	Substance Abuse and Addiction 2 – Dr. Anna Maria Vella	

<b>2012</b>		
<i>Spring term</i>	18 Apr – 28 Jun	10 sessions
18 Apr	Communication Skills – Roundup ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
19 Apr	Communication Skills – Telephone and curb side communication ( <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
20 Apr	Communication Skills – communicating across culture ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
26 Apr	The Interpretation of the Complete Blood Count and other Haematological issues in Family Medicine – Dr. David J. Camilleri	
3 May	Renal and Urological Problems in Family Medicine - Dr. Tania Mizzi	
10 May	Immediate Medical Care in Family Medicine – Dr. Gunther Abela	
17 May	The management of Asthma and COPD in Family Medicine - Dr. Karl Causon and Dr. Melissa Borg Cauchi	
24 May	Low Back Pain - Dr. Ivan Micallef	
31 May	Travel Medicine – Dr. Joseph Pace	
14 Jun	Breast Care Problems in General Practice – Dr. Sandra Baldacchino and Dr. Stephanie Frendo	
21 Jun	The Medical Profession and the Law – Dr. Bryan Flores Martin	
28 Jun	Teaching and Learning in Family Practice – Dr. Mario Sammut	

<b>2012</b>		
<i>Autumn term</i>	4 Oct – 20 Dec	11 sessions ( + 4 sessions for 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Trainees)
2 Aug	Introduction – ‘Breaking the Ice’ – Dr. Renzo Degabriele ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> )	
4 Oct	Environment and Health 1 ‘Air Quality and Energy issues’ – Dr. Jason Bonnici	
10 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Communication Skills – Introduction 1 ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
11 Oct	Communication Skills ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
Fri 12 Oct	Communication Skills ( <i>2nd Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
18 Oct	Disease Prevention and Screening – Dr. Daniel Sammut	
19 Oct	Communication Skills – Introduction 2 ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
25 Oct	Feverish Illness in Children – Dr. Susan Mallia and Dr. Rebecca Fenech	
26 Oct	Communication Skills – Introduction 3 ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
1 Nov	Occupational Therapy in Family Medicine – Ms. Maria Meilak	
2 Nov	Communication Skills – Introduction 4 ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
8 Nov	Skin Conditions in Family Medicine – Dr. David Sammut	
15 Nov	Emergency Psychiatry and Crisis Management – Dr. Mark Xuereb	
22 Nov	Speech and Language Interventions – Dr. Rita Micallef	
29 Nov	Adolescent Health and Family Medicine – Dr. Godfrey Farrugia	
6 Dec	Occupational Medicine – Dr. Mark Rosso	
20 Dec	Study time – lecture cancelled due to lecturer’s indisposition.	

<b>2013</b>		
<i>Winter term</i>	10 Jan – 15 Mar	10 sessions
10 Jan	Eye problems in General Practice – Mr. Mario Vella	
17 Jan	Paediatric Health – Dr. Adrian Cordina and Dr. Maria Callus	
24 Jan	Study time – lecture cancelled due to lecturer’s indisposition	
31 Jan	Neurological Problems in Family Medicine 2 – Dr. Andrew Zammit	
6 Feb	Communication Skills ( <i>1st Year GP Trainees only</i> ) – Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
7 Feb	Communication Skills ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
8 Feb	Communication Skills ( <i>2nd Year GP Trainees only</i> ) - Dr. Doreen Cassar and Dr. Philip Sciortino	
14 Feb	ENT problems in Family Medicine – Mr. Hermann K Borg	
21 Feb	Social Security Contributions – Dr. Renzo De Gabriele	Child Abuse- Dr. Mariella Mangion
28 Feb	Chronic Disease Management – Dr. Diana Balzan and Dr. Glen Micallef	
8 Mar	Palliative Care 1 – Dr. Jurgen Abela	
15 Mar	Palliative Care 2 – Dr. Jurgen Abela	

<b>2013</b>		
<i>Spring term</i>	5 Apr – 27 Jun	13 sessions
5 Apr	Palliative Care 3 – Dr. Jurgen Abela	
11 Apr	Human Factors – a journey with the patient 1 Introducing the psychological perspective and assets – Dr. Paul Micallef	
18 Apr	Human Factors – a journey with the patient 2 Basic Psychotherapeutic skills and theories – Dr. Paul Micallef	
25 Apr	Human Factors – a journey with the patient 3 Short Term Motivational Interviewing – Dr. Paul Micallef	
2 May	Human Factors– a journey with the patient 4 Complex Cases: A Psychological Perspective – Mrs. Mireille Pellegrini Petit	
9 May	Human Factors – a journey with the patient 5 Intra-personal communication: Self-Care – Mrs. Mireille Pellegrini Petit	
16 May	Applied Genetics – Dr. Isabella Borg	
23 May	Human Factors – a journey with the patient 6 The multiple intelligence perspective - Mrs. Mireille Pellegrini Petit	
30 May	Infectious Diseases – Dr. Anton Bugeja	
6 Jun	Developmental milestones – Dr. Renzo De Gabriele	Behavioural problems in children – Dr. Renzo De Gabriele
13 Jun	Sexually Transmitted Diseases – Dr. Philip Carabot	
20 Jun	Community Mental Health Services – Mtarfa Community Mental Health Service Team	
27 Jun	Making good use of Community Resources - Dr. Mario Sammut	