



# Medical Act 1983

## 1983 CHAPTER 54

### PART II

#### MEDICAL EDUCATION AND REGISTRATION: PERSONS QUALIFYING IN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ELSEWHERE IN THE EEC

#### **5 General functions of the Education Committee in relation to medical education in the United Kingdom**

- (1) The Education Committee shall have the general function of promoting high standards of medical education and coordinating all stages of medical education.
- (2) For the purpose of discharging that function the Education Committee shall—
  - (a) determine the extent of the knowledge and skill which is to be required for the granting of primary United Kingdom qualifications and secure that the instruction given in universities in the United Kingdom to persons studying for such qualifications is sufficient to equip them with knowledge and skill of that extent;
  - (b) determine the standard of proficiency which is to be required from candidates at qualifying examinations and secure the maintenance of that standard; and
  - (c) determine patterns of experience which may be recognised as suitable for giving to those engaging in such employment as is mentioned in section 10(2) below general clinical training for the purposes of the practice of their profession.
- (3) The determinations of the Education Committee under subsection (2) above shall be embodied in recommendations which may be directed to all or any of the universities or other bodies concerned with medical education.
- (4) In this Act—

" the prescribed knowledge and skill" means knowledge and skill of the extent for the time being determined under subsection (2)(a) above and embodied in recommendations under subsection (3) above ;

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"the prescribed standard of proficiency" means the standard of proficiency for the time being determined under subsection (2)(b) above and embodied in recommendations under subsection (3) above ;

" a prescribed pattern of experience " means any pattern of experience for the time being determined under subsection (2)(c) above and embodied in recommendations under subsection (3) above.