

Applying for Specialist Registration via a CESR

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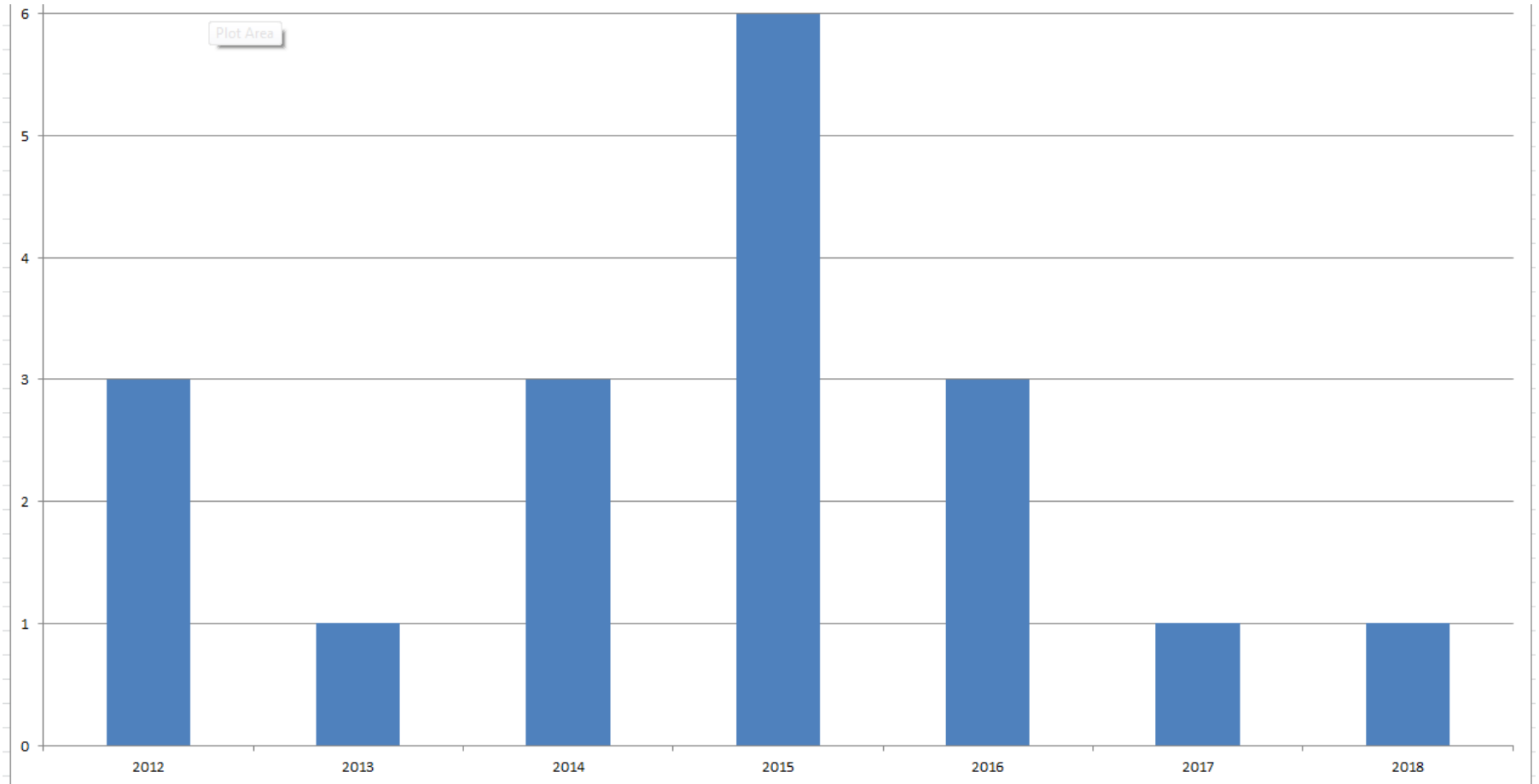
What's a CESR?

- Entry onto the Specialist Register with a Certificate of Eligibility for Specialist Registration (CESR)
- Application route for doctors who have not completed the full UK training programme (CCT)
- Assessed against the standards of the UK CCT curriculum
- Evidence based application process

Not:

- Assessment of competency/responsibility in current role
- Based solely on recommendations from colleagues

Numbers of FPH CESR apps received



Am I eligible to apply?

To be eligible to apply you must have:

- Six months continuous training

Or

- A Specialist Medical Qualification

in the specialty of application

How to apply and cost

Application submitted through GMC Online.

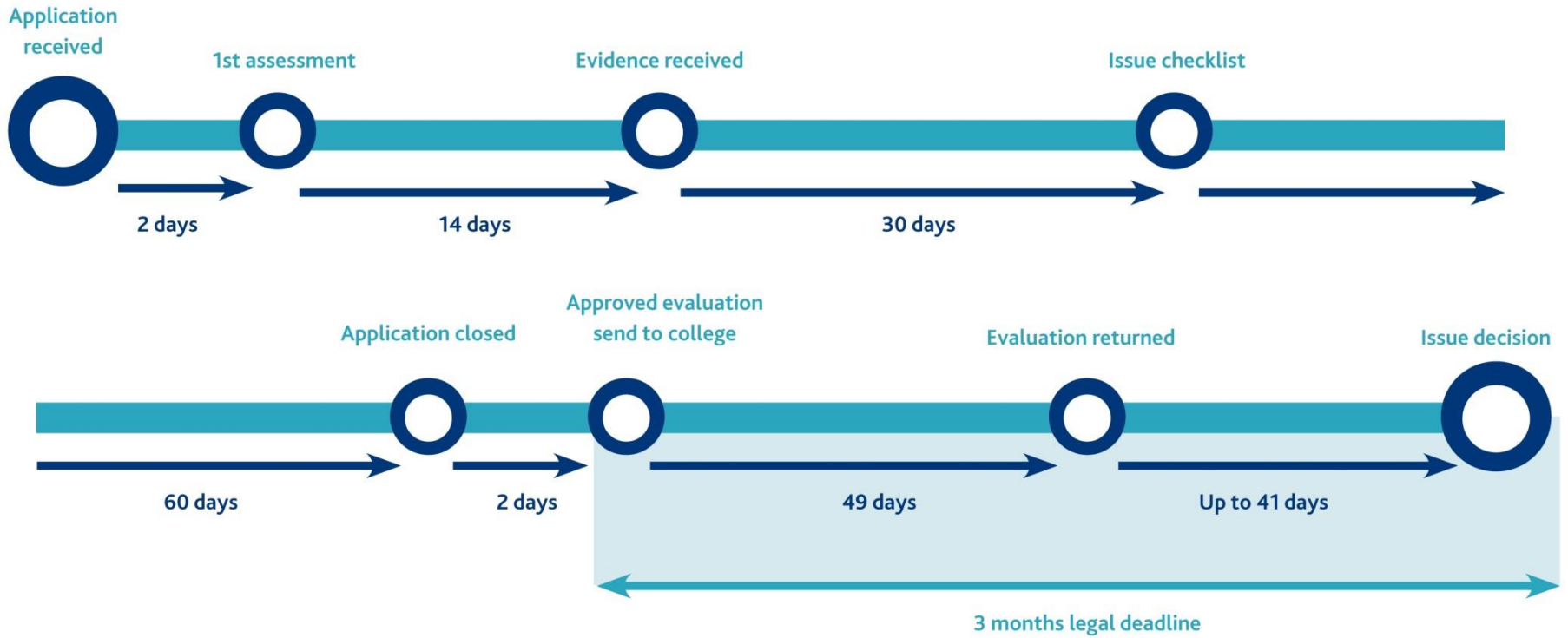
Application fee: £1,600

Review fee: £695

Changes to the CESR application – November 2018

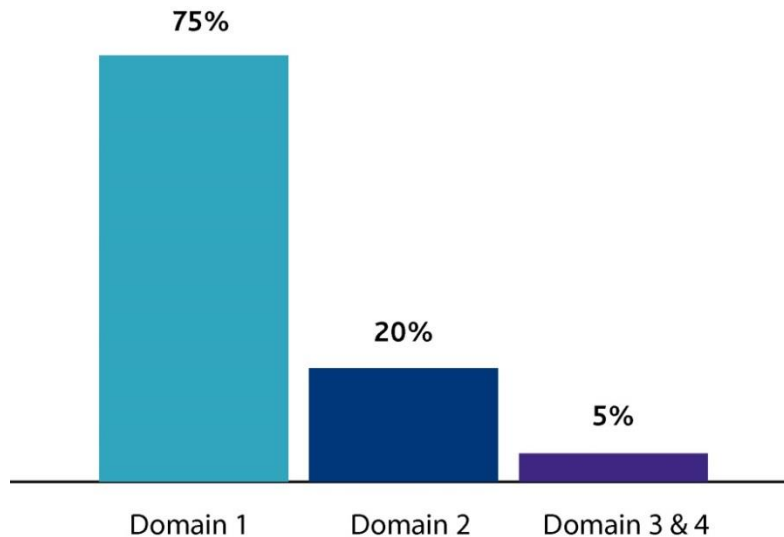
- Electronic evidence can be uploaded in the application from 6 November
- Faster and cheaper than submitting evidence in hard copy
- Portfolio style online application – open for 12 months
- Advice on your application in GMC online
- Doesn't include evidence that needs authentication e.g. qualifications
- More information on the changes plus FAQs on our website

An overview of the CESR process



Before you apply

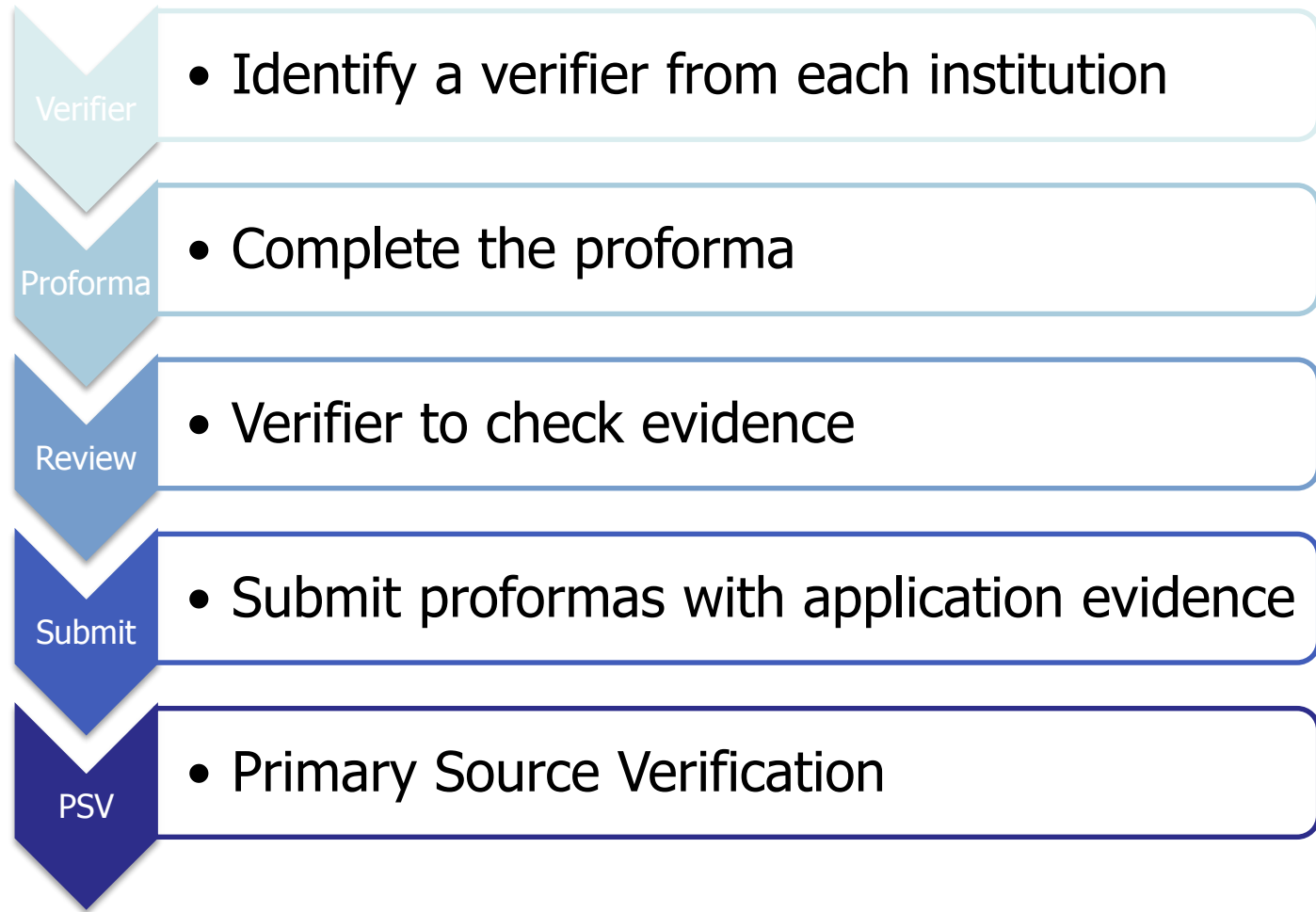
- Read the [Specialty Specific Guidance](#) (SSG), CCT curriculum and online guidance
- If you don't have the evidence, wait until you can get it
- Bundles are typically 1000-1500 pages
- Don't duplicate evidence
- Make sure your evidence is relevant, current and well organised
- Documentary evidence based on GMC's Good Medical Practice



Evidence

- CV
- Specialist qualifications or examinations passed
- Employment records
- Appraisal portfolios and assessments, 360 feedback/MSF
- Compiled portfolio of evidence/activity to contribute to learning outcomes across 10 key areas
- Refer to curriculum appendices – activity summary sheets, on-call logbook, WPBA assessments, reflective logbook, examples of work mapped to curriculum
- Participation in research, CPD, teaching, audit, governance and management, communication with colleagues and patients
- Specific cases/reports, reflective summaries etc.

How do I get my evidence verified?



Stage 1 – Initial assessment



- Eligibility check
- Structured reports
- First evidence bundle & proformas within 14 days

Structured Reports

- We'll ask you to nominate four referees
- The Faculty uses them to triangulate your primary evidence
- Choose people who can comment on your recent competence and breadth of your practice
- Verify work, training and experience
- Details on your personal attributes, skills and competencies
- First referee must be your current medical / clinical director

Stage 2 – GMC evidence review



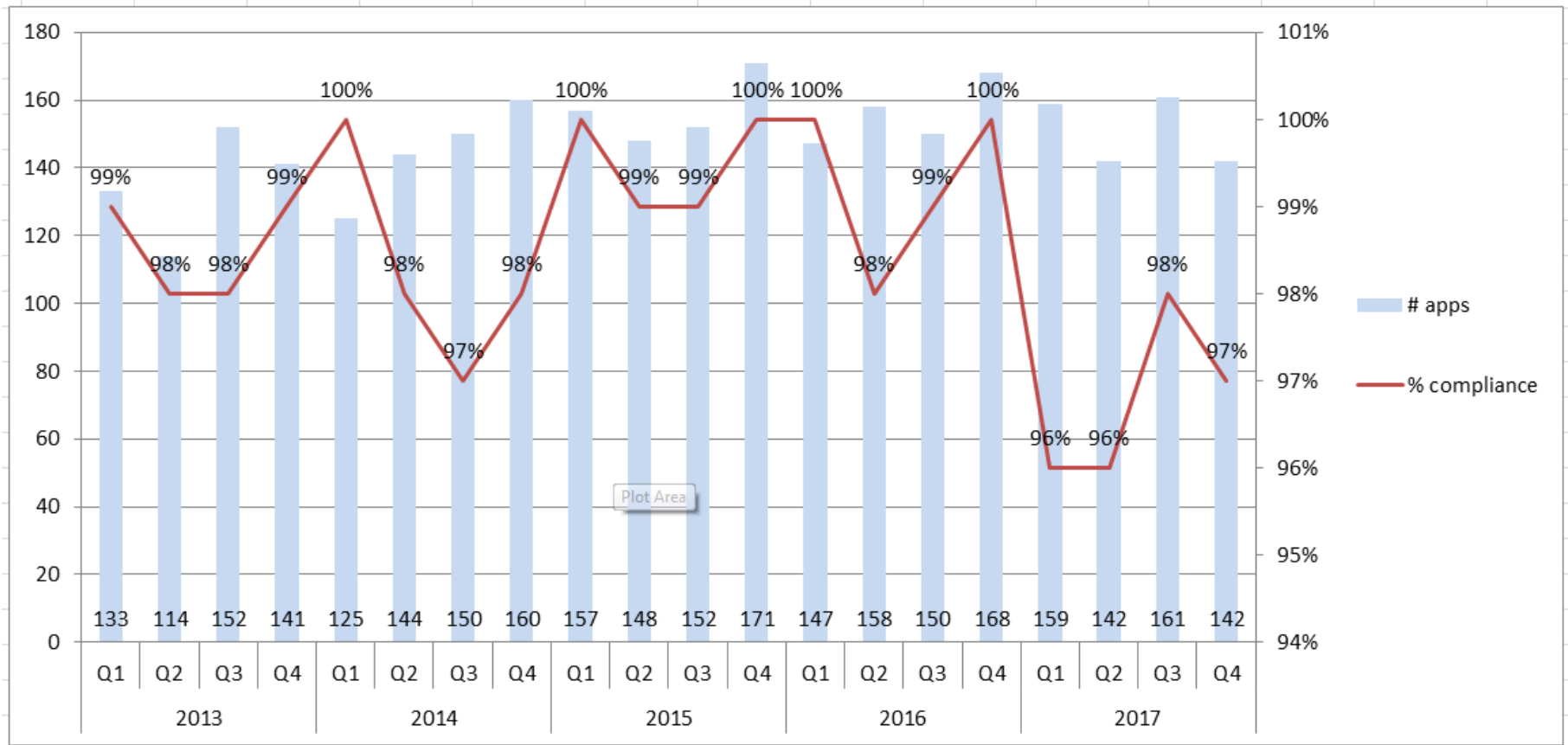
- Application adviser reviews bundle:
 - Check proformas & contact verifiers
 - Creates a checklist for you
- 60 days to gather additional evidence
- Verify proportion of your evidence

Stage 3 – Evaluation of your evidence

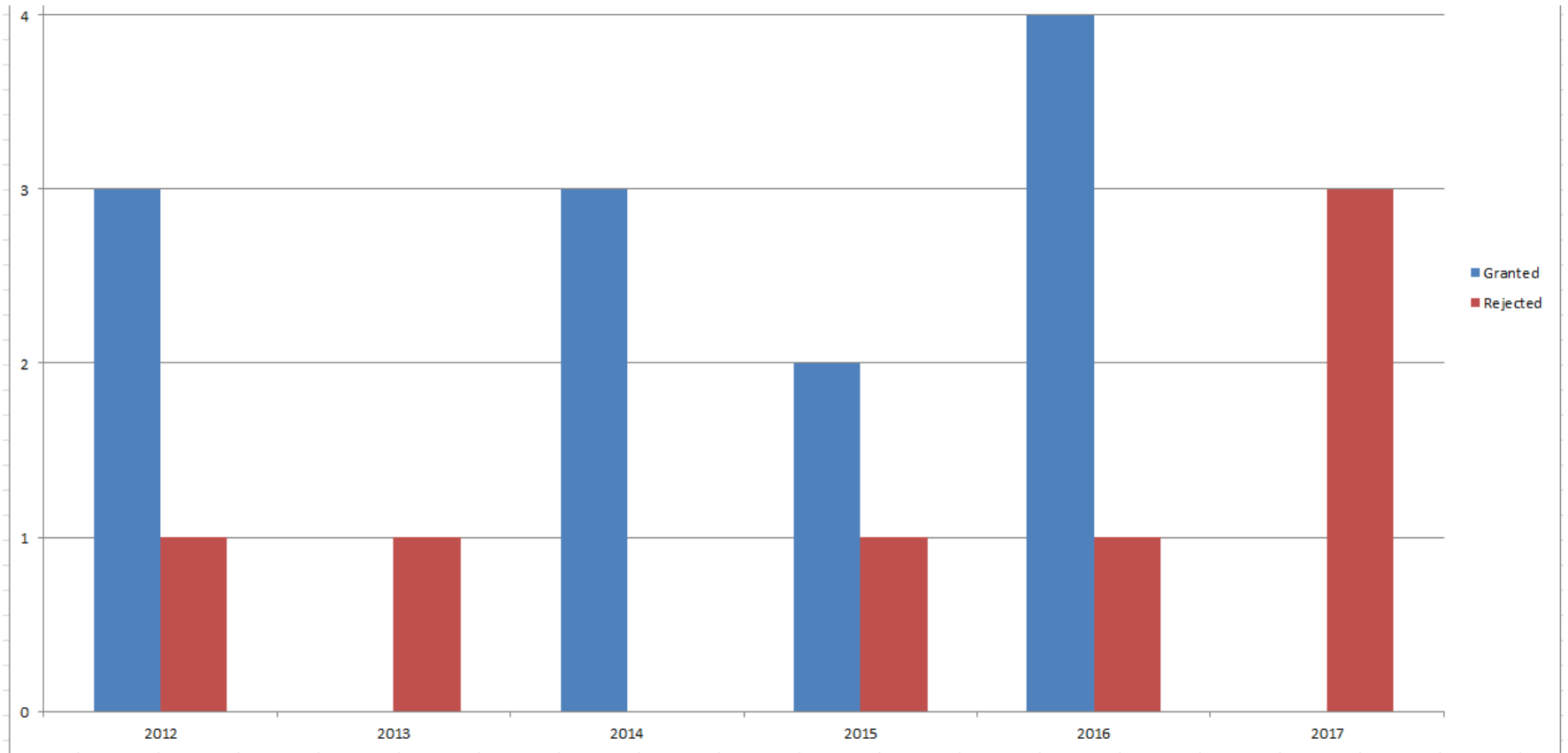


- Faculty specialist assessment - 2 independent evaluators
- GMC QA of the evaluation
- GMC issues the decision based on Faculty recommendation

Compliance with three month deadline



Success Rates



Why are applications unsuccessful?

- Lack of experience / clinical skills across the breadth of the curriculum, e.g.
 - Part A MFPH examination and Part B MFPH examination or equivalent
 - 360 degree feedback (recent and periodical)
 - Work Place Based Assessments
 - Collation of evidence by e-portfolio to demonstrate achievement of all Learning outcomes
 - to be fully documented including full information on the activities undertaken and reflective notes describing how the activities demonstrate the learning outcomes
- Lack of a full audit cycle with a re-audit showing an improvement in outcome

Getting your decision

If you're successful:

- Specialist registration is granted
- A copy of the evaluation is sent to you

If you're unsuccessful:

- A letter confirming you have not been successful, which outlines your options – Review or Appeal
- A copy of the evaluation
- Recommendations which will help you in future applications

Review application

You may choose to apply for a review of our decision if:

- You have additional relevant documentary evidence

Or

- You consider there has been a procedural error

You must apply within one year of the date on your decision letter

Review application fee: £695

Contact us



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