

Paediatric Cardiology Application Form Scoring Guide 2025

Section	Category	Marks	Explanatory notes
	Generic Achievements		
Academic	A. Postgraduate degrees & other qualifications ⁺	0 – 5*	2 points = Masters or Bachelor Degree 3 points = MD or PhD
Training-related	B. Clinical audit	0 – 2*	1 point = Conducting audit +1 point = Evidence of closing the audit loop
	C. Training courses attended	0 – 3	1 point = 1 course 2 points = 2 courses 3 points = 3 or more courses Courses must be clearly relevant to paediatric cardiology
	D. Teaching experience	0 – 4*	1 point = Informal teaching 2 points = Formal teaching appointment +1 point = Evidence of excellent feedback
	E. Presentations	0 – 4*	1 point = Local/regional meeting 2 points = National/International meeting +1 point = Conference award for presentation Presentations must be clearly relevant to paediatric cardiology
	F. Research	0 - 4	1 point = Modest local experience 2 point = Substantial contribution 3 point = Designed and led original research +1 point = Evidence for securing grant funding
	G. Publications	0 – 4*	1 point = Any peer-reviewed publication 2 points = High impact journal or book chapter +1 point = 4 or more publications
	Clinical Practice		
Clinical Practice	H. Quality improvement	0 – 4	1 point = Questionable evidence 2 points = Reasonable evidence 3 points = Convincing evidence 4 points = A true innovator in quality improvement
	I. Team-focused behaviour	0 - 4	1 point = Questionable evidence 2 points = Reasonable evidence 3 points = Convincing evidence 4 points = An outstanding team player
	J. Clinical leadership and management	0 – 4	1 point = Questionable evidence 2 points = Reasonable evidence 3 points = Convincing evidence 4 points = A clear leader and manager
	K. Coping under pressure	0 - 4	1 point = Questionable evidence 2 points = Reasonable evidence 3 points = Convincing evidence +1 point = Evidence for reflective practice
	L. Evidence for career progression towards / within paediatric cardiology	0 – 4	1 point = Barely satisfactory 2 points = Satisfactory 3 points = Very good 4 points = Outstanding
	M. Suitability to commence / continue training in paediatric cardiology	0 – 4	1 point = Barely suitable 2 points = Quite suitable 3 points = Well-suited 4 points = Highly-suited
Total		0 – 50	

*To award points it is essential an achievement **clearly constitutes a higher award** and is not a primary medical degree, a part thereof, or an intercalated qualification. Note Diplomas, Associated Diplomas and Certificates are not awarded points

*These fields are marked **cumulatively**, rather than awarding a mark corresponding to the highest achievement only. For example, a candidate holding both a Degree and a PhD scores 5, and a candidate providing evidence of both informal and formal teaching appointments scores 3 not 2