

Fitness to Practise for Current Students

The Dean will receive referrals and will decide how to proceed. This may include calling an investigation.

A member of staff will investigate the case and write a report.

Based on this report, the Dean will decide what to do. One option is to call a Fitness to Practise Panel hearing.

You'll get **10 working days'** notice of the hearing

The Panel will include the Chair, 3 voting members, and a secretary. The panel will include a GMC licensed practitioner and the Chair will be a senior academic from another Medical School. There may also be a legal adviser if relevant.

7 working days before the hearing you need to email the secretary with any evidence, names of witnesses, and the name of your supporter and/or representative who will attend with you.

You'll get your outcome letter **within 10 working days** of the Panel making their decision

Outcomes range in severity from dismissing the case to expulsion from the medical programme.

You can appeal to Senate if:

- You had relevant extenuating circumstances (you need to explain why you did not tell the Panel about them at the time)
- Procedures were not followed properly, making a significant impact on the Panel's judgement

You have **10 working days** to email **senate@** to explain that you wish to appeal, and then **another 10 working days** to make the full appeal.