

## **UKFPO announces the SJT Contract has been awarded to Pearson VUE and Work**

### **Psychology Group**

*Representatives from UKFPO and FSMs welcome a more sophisticated means of selection for Foundation*

**Birmingham, UK, 30th July 2019** — The UKFPO has awarded the SJT contract to Pearson VUE and Work Psychology group. The two will be working together to facilitate SJT for the 2021 Foundation Programme; with Pearson VUE, the global leader in computer-based testing (CBT) providing a delivery platform and Work Psychology Group supplying content. The decision has come as UKFPO and other stakeholders have decided to modernize the delivery of the SJT.

The project kick-off meeting was held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, formally launching the project with Pearson VUE and Work Psychology Group (WPG). WPG is set to carry out test specifications with several stakeholders such as F1s, senior clinicians and BMA. Pearson VUE will provide CBT to our candidates, through a robust delivery platform that offers the ability to register and provide candidate support, as well as a streamlined transfer of candidate scores to stakeholders.

Matthew Poyiadgi, Vice President EMEA, at Pearson VUE, commented: “Testing how clinicians tackle certain real-life situations in a busy and demanding workplace is so crucial to this sector, and our collaboration with the Work Psychology Group will ensure

the UKFPO provides candidates with a positive testing experience, based upon flexibility, reliability and accessibility through our highly secure test centres.”

Professor Fiona Patterson, founding Director of Work Psychology Group, added “We are delighted to be working in partnership with the UKFPO and Pearson VUE on this project. As specialists within high-stakes assessment, we recognize the importance of designing a robust solution, based on the latest evidence within the research literature. Drawing upon our vast experience within the healthcare sector, in combination with the latest research, will allow us to deliver a cutting-edge, engaging solution. “

We look forward to working with Pearson VUE and WPG to bring the computer-based SJT programme to our candidates for the FP 2021 Cohort.

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**For more information on Pearson Vue and Work Psychology Group:**

#### **About Pearson VUE**

Pearson VUE has been a pioneer in the computer-based testing industry for decades, delivering more than 15 million certification and licensure exams annually in every industry from academia and admissions to IT and healthcare. We are the global leaders in developing and delivering high-stakes exams via the world's most comprehensive network of nearly 20,000 highly secure test centres in 180 countries. Our leadership in the assessment industry is a result of our collaborative partnerships with a broad range of clients, from leading technology firms to government and regulatory agencies. For more information, please visit [PearsonVUE.com](http://PearsonVUE.com).

#### **About Work Psychology Group (WPG)**

Work Psychology Group are a team of highly-skilled practitioners with wide-ranging expertise of Organisational Psychology across a range of sectors. We are international thought leaders in the development and evaluation of Situational Judgement Tests (SJTs). We have extensive experience in conducting and disseminating the latest research insights and translating this literature into practical, innovative solutions. We work in partnership with our clients to develop bespoke, cutting-edge and high impact assessment solutions, in high-stakes environments. For more information, please visit [WorkPsychologyGroup.com](http://WorkPsychologyGroup.com).