

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall

THE 6th DAY OF MAY 2025

BY THE LORDS OF HIS MAJESTY'S MOST HONOURABLE PRIVY COUNCIL

The Privy Council has approved the revised Laws of The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh as set out in the Schedule to this Order, to take effect on a date to be notified by the Clerk of the Council.

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SCHEDULE

REVISED LAWS OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH

MEMBERSHIP

- 1. The Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh is a body incorporated by Royal Charter and is concerned with education and training for medical, surgical and dental practice and for the maintenance of high standards of professional competence and conduct ("the College"). The College shall comprise:-
 - 1.1. Fellows in Surgery (consisting of Honorary Fellows in Surgery, ad hominem Fellows in Surgery and Ordinary Fellows in Surgery),
 - 1.2. Members in Surgery,
 - 1.3. Fellows in Dental Surgery (consisting of Honorary Fellows in Dental Surgery, ad hominem Fellows in Dental Surgery and Ordinary Fellows in Dental Surgery); and
 - 1.4. Members in the Faculty of Dental Surgery.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- 2. Subject to Law 21, the governing body of the College shall be a Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as "the Board of Trustees") comprised of:-
 - 2.1. the President elected pursuant to Law 26;
 - 2.2. the Secretary and Treasurer in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect;
 - 2.3. subject to Law 31, four Vice-Presidents elected pursuant to Law 33;
 - 2.4. the Vice President (Dental) ex officio elected pursuant to Law 15.3.
 - 2.5. a minimum of four and a maximum of five appointed Trustees (hereinafter referred to as "Appointed Trustees"); and
 - 2.6. up to two members of Council referred to in Law 16 (hereinafter referred to as "Member Trustees") appointed by Council in accordance with Regulations.
- 3.1 When the Secretary in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect has demitted office under law 21.5.1 the office of Secretary shall cease to exist, and the role of that office shall be fulfilled by one of the Vice-Presidents.
- 3.2 When the Treasurer in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect has demitted office under law 21.5.2 the office of Treasurer shall cease to exist, and the role of that office shall be fulfilled by one of the Vice-Presidents or Appointed Trustees.
- 4. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect, Vice President (Dental) and Member Trustees are together referred to as "Clinician Trustees".
- 5. The members of the Board of Trustees shall be charity trustees for the purposes of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (which together with any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force is hereinafter referred to as "the 2005 Act").
- 6. The President shall be Chair of the Board of Trustees.
- 7. The Vice-Chair of the Board of Trustees shall be an Appointed Trustee.
- 8. At all times there must be a majority of Clinician Trustees on the Board of Trustees.
- 9. Appointed Trustees shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees in accordance with Regulations which may set out:-
 - 9.1. The manner of appointment of the Vice-Chair;
 - 9.2. The manner of appointment and filling vacancies;

- 9.3. Circumstances of vacating office; and
- 9.4. Eligibility criteria.
- 10. Appointed Trustees shall be appointed for a term of three years ("a Term") and shall thereafter be eligible for re-appointment for a further two Terms.

REGULATIONS

11. The Board of Trustees shall have power to make, alter or rescind Regulations regarding the administration of the College and the Board of Trustees provided that they do not conflict with the Laws.

DELEGATION OF POWERS

- 12. The Board of Trustees shall have power to delegate all or any of its functions, powers and duties to any body, boards, committees, sub-committees or individual upon terms and subject to such conditions as the Board of Trustees may from time to time, by resolution, determine.
- 13. The Board of Trustees hereby establishes pursuant to Law 12 as standing committees:-
 - 13.1. The Council.
 - 13.2. Dental Council.
 - 13.3. The Nominations and Appointments Committee.

Under declaration that such committees may be renamed by the Board of Trustees.

- 14. The Council shall have the following functions and powers:
 - 14.1. Oversight for all clinical, professional, academic, educational and health matters;
 - 14.2. Any expressly conferred on the Council by these Laws and Regulations; and
 - 14.3. Any others delegated to it by the Board of Trustees pursuant to Law 12.
- 15. Dental Council shall:-
 - 15.1. On behalf of the Faculty of Dental Surgery, advise the Board of Trustees and Council on matters pertaining to Dental Surgery.
 - 15.2. Be elected by the Fellows in Dental Surgery and Members in the Faculty of Dental Surgery.
 - 15.3. Elect the Dean of the Faculty of Dental Surgery by ballot of Dental Council in accordance with Regulations, who shall be a Vice-President and shall be known as

the Vice President (Dental);

THE COUNCIL

- 16. The Council (hereinafter referred to as "Council") shall comprise:-
 - 16.1. The President, subject to Law 31 five Vice-Presidents (including the Vice President (Dental) referred to in Law 15.3) elected in accordance with these Laws and the Secretary and Treasurer in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect;
 - 16.2. seventeen Fellows elected in accordance with Law 50;
 - 16.3. one member of Dental Council in addition to the Vice President (Dental); and
 - 16.4. up to thirteen other members as Council may from time to time decide in accordance with Regulations.
- 17. In addition to the members of Council elected or appointed under Law 16, Council shall have power to co-opt up to five additional members of Council ("Co-opted Members"). Co-opted Members shall be appointed on such terms as Council may decide and shall be entitled to attend Council but shall have no power to vote.
- 18. Members of Council and Co-opted Members are not charity trustees for the purposes of the 2005 Act.

FACULTIES AND JOINT FACULTIES

- 19. The Faculty of Dental Surgery is formed within the College and is concerned with the education and training for dental surgical practice and for the maintenance of high standards of professional competence or conduct therein.
- 20. Any faculty or joint faculty instituted or established shall be instituted or established, and Fellowships and memberships in any such faculty or joint faculty may be granted, in accordance with such Regulations as the Board of Trustees, in the case of a faculty, or the Board of Trustees in conjunction with the other body in the case of a joint faculty, may from time to time determine and prescribe.

TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND COUNCIL

- 21. Notwithstanding any provisions of these Laws:
 - 21.1. Subject to this Law 21, the first Trustees pursuant to Law 2 will take office on the date that these Laws take effect.
 - 21.2. The first Trustees pursuant to Law 2.5 who take office on the date that these Laws take effect shall be those appointed to such office by a nominations and appointments committee constituted by Council of the College established under

the Laws of the College which were in force prior to these Laws taking effect (hereinafter referred to as "the Previous Laws").

- 21.3. The President who was in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect shall continue as President.
- 21.4. The Vice Presidents in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect shall continue as Vice Presidents.
- 21.5. The:-
 - 21.5.1. Secretary in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect shall:-
 - 21.5.1.1. continue in office as Secretary for the remainder of their term of office under the Previous Laws.
 - 21.5.1.2. shall be eligible for re-appointment by Council for one year as Secretary as provided for under the Previous Laws. And
 - 21.5.1.3. on the expiry of their period of office, whether under law 21.5.1.1 or 21.5.1.2 of these Laws shall be eligible for election and shall be deemed not to have served any period of office under Law 50 of these Laws.
 - 21.5.2. Treasurer in office immediately prior to these Laws taking effect shall:-
 - 21.5.2.1. continue in office as Treasurer for the remainder of their term of office under the Previous Laws.
 - 21.5.2.2. shall then be eligible for re-appointment by Council for one year as Treasurer as provided for under the Previous Laws. And
 - 21.5.2.3. on the expiry of their period of office, whether under law 21.5.2.1 or 21.5.2.2 and shall be deemed to be a member of Council in office immediately prior to the date that these Laws take effect under Law 21.7, elected in September 2024 and serving their first period of five years under Law 21.7.2.
- 21.6. The Vice Presidents under these Laws in terms of Law 21.4 shall be deemed to be the first Vice Presidents elected under Law 2.3 and shall continue in office for the remainder of their term of office under the Previous Laws
- 21.7. Each of the members of Council, who were in office immediately prior to the date that these Laws take effect shall:-
 - 21.7.1. continue in those offices on Council as constituted pursuant to Law 16.
 - 21.7.2. if serving their first period of five years under the Previous Laws shall,

at the end of that period of five years, be deemed to have served one Term under Law 50 of these Laws. And

- 21.7.3. if serving their second period of five years under the Previous Laws shall, at the end of that period of five years, be deemed to have served three Terms under Law 50 of these Laws.
- 21.8. Each of the members of Dental Council who were in office immediately prior to the date that these Laws take effect shall continue in those offices on Dental Council as established under Law 13.2 for the remainder of their term in office under the Previous Laws which where relevant shall be treated as their first or second term of office as the case may be.

GOVERNMENT OF THE COLLEGE AND PRESIDENT'S POWER

22. The government of the College shall be regulated by the provisions of the Supplementary Charter, these Laws and such Regulations as are enacted from time to time. Notwithstanding, the President may direct any Committee to be convened and any other measure to be taken which may appear to them to be immediately necessary for the security and benefit of the College. They shall report such action to the Board of Trustees at its next meeting for ratification.

ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND MEMBERS

23. All Fellows and Members in Surgery, Fellows in Dental Surgery and Members in the Faculty of Dental Surgery shall be elected by Council and shall sign the Declaration of Intrants which reads as follows:

"I hereby promise faithfully to maintain and defend all the rights, liberties and privileges of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh and to promote the interests thereof to the utmost of my power. I also promise faithfully to obey all the Laws of the said Royal College".

THE PRESIDENT

- 24. The President shall be a Fellow of the College in good standing who is a present or past member of Council elected in furtherance of Law 50.
- 25. Any Fellow so qualified may be nominated with their consent by three Fellows of the College who shall sign the nomination paper and return it to the Board of Trustees before the closing date for the receipt of nominations.
- 26. The President shall be elected by ballot of Council from those nominated.
- 27. The President shall hold office for a Term and shall preside at meetings of the Board of Trustees and Council.
- 28. The President's appointment shall take effect from the close of the Annual Meeting of

Fellows and Members in the year of their election.

- 29. In extraordinary circumstances as may be determined by Regulations the President shall be eligible for re-election for one additional year.
- 30. When for any reason the President ceases to serve as such before their term of office ends, the vacancy so arising shall be filled by a Fellow appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Law. Such Fellow shall take office immediately upon election and their term of office shall extend for a Term from the date of the Annual Meeting co-incident with or next following the date of their election.

THE VICE PRESIDENTS

- 31. Subject to this Law 31, there shall be four Vice Presidents who shall be Fellows of the College in good standing and shall be past or present members of Council elected in furtherance of Law 50 declaring that the number of Vice-Presidents under this Law 31 shall be reduced to:-
 - 31.1. two Vice-Presidents for so long as both the Secretary and Treasurer remain in office under Law 21.5; and
 - 31.2. three Vice-Presidents for so long as only one of the Secretary and Treasurer remain in office under Law 21.5;
- 32. Any Fellow so qualified may be nominated with their consent by two Fellows who shall sign the nomination paper and return it to the Board of Trustees before the closing date for the receipt of nominations.
- 33. The Vice-Presidents shall be elected by ballot of Council from those nominated. They shall hold office for a Term.
- 34. In extraordinary circumstances as may be determined by Regulations Vice-Presidents shall be eligible for re-election for one additional year but shall not thereafter be eligible for election as a Vice-President.
- 35. When, for any reason, a Vice-President ceases to serve as such before their term of office ends, the vacancy so arising shall be filled by a Fellow appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Law. Such Fellow shall take office immediately upon election and their term of office shall extend for a Term from the date of the Annual Meeting co-incident with or next following the date of their election.

MEETINGS OF THE COLLEGE

36. There shall be an Annual Meeting of Fellows and Members but other meetings may be called when necessary by the Board of Trustees, or when requested by the Fellows and Members in accordance with Law 39. Not more than fifteen months shall elapse between Annual Meetings.

- 37. An agenda for the meeting stating the business and specifying the time and place shall be dispatched, together with the draft minutes of the previous meeting, not less than twenty-eight days before the meeting and with a view to giving reasonable notice of the meeting.
- 38. In addition to the business brought before the meeting by the Board of Trustees, Fellows and Members shall have an opportunity to submit motions to the meeting. Any Fellow or Member wishing to submit a motion shall intimate in writing to the Board of Trustees the terms of the motion not less than twenty-eight days or, in the case of the Annual Meeting, not less than three months before the meeting.
- 39. A meeting may be called on a request in writing to the President and signed by twenty-five Fellows and Members in which the purpose of the meeting shall be expressly stated. Within twenty-eight days after receiving the request, the Board of Trustees shall summon such a meeting for a date not less than twenty-eight days from the date of dispatch of the summons and shall state in the summons the purpose for which the meeting has been requested.
- 40. At all meetings of the College, the President when present shall preside. In their absence the Chair shall be taken by a Vice-President. For the purposes of these Laws a member of the College, Council or Board of Trustees shall be deemed to be present at a meeting of the College, Council or the Board of Trustees when they are able to participate in the meeting and can communicate with each other by any means.
- 41. Twenty-five Fellows or Members in addition to the members of Council present shall be a quorum.
- 42. A vote on any question may be taken by a show of hands or by ballot of those present as the Chair of the meeting shall decide. Provided, however, that on or before the Chair calling the vote to be taken, any Fellow or Member present shall have the right to demand that the vote be taken by ballot of those present.
- 43. A motion proposing a new Law or the amendment or revocation of an existing Law shall be stated in the agenda notice and shall specify the additions, amendments or revocations thereby contemplated.
- 44. All questions shall be determined by a simple majority of the Fellows and Members present. A motion proposing a new Law or the amendment or revocation of an existing Law, or a motion relating to the level of Annual Subscriptions shall require to be approved by not less than two-thirds of the Fellows and Members present and voting.
- 45. The Chair shall in every question have one vote as a Fellow and thereafter shall exercise a casting vote when the votes are equal.

MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

46. At all meetings of the Board of Trustees, the President shall preside as Chair or in their absence the Vice-Chair. If neither the President, nor the Vice-Chair are present, a College

Trustee selected by the Board of Trustees shall preside as Chair.

- 47. The quorum for any meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be one-third of the number of Trustees presently in office pursuant to Law 2 (rounded up to the nearest whole number) plus one and must include:-
 - 47.1. a majority of Clinician Trustees; and
 - 47.2. where the number of Trustees in office pursuant to Law 2 is

47.2.1. at least ten, 2 Appointed Trustees.

47.2.2. less than ten, 1 Appointed Trustee.

- 48. Decisions of the Board of Trustees shall be made by a show of hands by the majority of such Members of the Board as are present and voting.
- 49. The names of those voting shall be entered in the minutes when a request to do so has been expressed by two Members of the Board. The Chair shall have one vote as a member of the Board of Trustees and shall thereafter have a casting vote when the votes are equal.

COUNCIL

- 50. Members of Council elected in furtherance of Law 16.2 shall be elected by the Fellows and Members in Surgery, Fellows in Dental Surgery and Members in the Faculty of Dental Surgery for a Term and shall thereafter be eligible for re-election for two further Terms. Thereafter they shall not be eligible for re-election until a period of two years has elapsed unless in extraordinary circumstances as may be prescribed in Regulations.
- 51. No member of Council, including the President and Vice-Presidents, shall serve more than twelve consecutive years as such and no more than fifteen years in total.
- 52. Matters relating to the election of members of Council shall be determined by Regulations.
- 53. Those elected to Council shall take office at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting at which their election is confirmed.
- 54. When, for any reason, a member of Council ceases to serve on Council before their term of office ends, the vacancy so arising shall be filled by a Fellow nominated by Council. Such Fellow shall act until the next election and shall not thereafter be debarred from election to Council in their own right at the end of this term.
- 55. Meetings of Council shall be summoned by a Vice President. The agenda and other documents to be considered shall be made available to each member not less than three days before the meeting.
- 56. The President shall be Chair of Council. In the absence of the President the Chair shall be

taken by a Vice-President.

- 57. Ten members of Council, elected or appointed under Law 16, shall form a quorum of Council. If a quorum is not present after one hour from the time for which the meeting has been called, the meeting shall be adjourned. Council for this purpose shall consist of the members of Council elected or appointed in terms of these Laws.
- 58. Unless otherwise agreed, all decisions of Council shall be made by a show of hands by the majority of such members as are present and vote. The names of those voting shall be entered in the minutes when a request to do so has been expressed by two members of Council. The Chair shall have one vote as a member of Council and shall thereafter have a casting vote when the votes are equal.

VACATING OF OFFICE

- 59. A member of the Board of Trustees shall automatically vacate office if:
 - 59.1. they have their term of office terminated by resolution of other members of the Board of Trustees (acting by simple majority) on the ground that they are considered to have been in serious or persistent breach of their duties under section 66(1) or (2) of the 2005 Act;
 - 59.2. they become disqualified from acting as a charity trustee;
 - 59.3. they are Clinician Trustees and cease to be a Member or Fellow of the College in good standing and fail to remedy this situation within a period of 26 weeks;
 - 59.4. they are absent (without permission from the Board of Trustees) from three consecutive meetings, or more than half of the meetings held in any one year, of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees resolves (acting by simple majority) to remove them from office;
 - 59.5. they sign a notice of resignation and submit that to the Board of Trustees; or
 - 59.6. such other manner as may be prescribed by Regulations applies.
- 60. A member of Council shall automatically vacate office if:
 - 60.1. They cease to be a Member or Fellow of the College in good standing and fail to remedy this situation within a period of 26 weeks;
 - 60.2. They are absent (without permission of Council) from three consecutive meetings, or more than half of the meetings held in any one year, of Council and Council resolves (acting by a simple majority) to remove them from office;
 - 60.3. They sign a notice of resignation and submit that to Council; and
 - 60.4. Such other manner as may be prescribed by Regulations applies.

61. Any resolution under Laws 59.1, 59.4 or 59.6 or Laws 60.2 or 60.4 shall be valid only if passed in accordance with the relevant procedure set out in Regulations.

INVESTMENT OF COLLEGE FUNDS

62. The funds of the College not required immediately for the ordinary purposes of the College may be invested by the Board of Trustees and the Board of Trustees may appoint suitably qualified agents for this purpose. It shall be competent for the Board of Trustees to apply such funds in such manner as may be determined by Regulations.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COLLEGE

- 63. A person shall become eligible for election to the Membership of the College after having met the necessary entry criteria determined by Council from time to time. Members of sister Colleges may apply directly to the College for consideration for admission to the Membership.
- 64. A candidate for election to the Membership shall pay to the College such election fee as the College shall from time to time determine.
- 65. Council is empowered to elect to the Membership candidates who have satisfied the foregoing entry requirements.
- 66. In the event of any candidate not being elected after having met the necessary entry criteria determined by Council from time to time, their election fee shall be returned in full.
- 67. Every successful candidate, after signing the Declaration of Intrants and having been elected to the Membership, shall then receive a Diploma bearing the Seal of the College. The form of the Diploma shall be prescribed in the Regulations.
- 68. Those admitted to the Membership shall be called Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (MRCSEd).
- 69. Every subscribing Member shall be entitled to attend the meetings of the College and to take part in the proceedings. Every Member shall pay each year such annual subscription as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Trustees with the concurrence of the Fellows and Members at a meeting of the College. If a Member in spite of reminder is in default of subscription then, until they shall have paid all outstanding subscriptions due, such Member shall cease to be entitled to have sent to them any communications from the College, shall not be permitted to attend Meetings of the College or exercise their vote on any matters on which they are entitled to vote under these Laws, shall not have their name included in any List of Members which may be published and shall cease to have the right to be called a Member of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (MRCSEd).
- 70. Members may vote in Council elections but may not nominate candidates nor themselves be nominated as candidates in such elections.

THE FELLOWSHIP BY EXAMINATION

- 71. Members may become eligible to be elected to Fellowship following success in a Speciality Examination which is recognised by the College.
- 72. A candidate for election to the Fellowship shall pay to the College such election fee as the College shall from time to time determine.
- 73. Council is empowered to elect to the Fellowship candidates who have satisfied the foregoing entry requirements.
- 74. In the event of any candidate not being elected after having passed the examination, their election fee shall be returned in full.
- 75. Every successful candidate, after signing the Declaration of Intrants, and having been elected to the Fellowship shall then receive a Diploma bearing the Seal of the College. The form of the Diploma shall be prescribed in the Regulations.
- 76. Those admitted to the Fellowship shall be called Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (FRCSEd). The appropriate specialty suffix shall be added in brackets after these letters.
- 77. Every subscribing Fellow shall be entitled to attend the meetings of the College and to take part in the proceedings.
- 78. Every Fellow shall pay each year such annual subscription as may be determined from time to time by the Board of Trustees with the concurrence of the Fellows at a meeting of the College. If a Fellow in spite of reminder is in default of subscription then, until they shall have paid all outstanding subscriptions due, such Fellow shall cease to be entitled to have sent to them any communications from the College, shall not be permitted to attend Meetings of the College or exercise their vote on any matters on which they are entitled to vote under these Laws and shall not have their name included in any List of Fellows which may be published and shall cease to have the right to use to be called a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh (FRCSEd).
- 79. Fellows who have retired from active practice shall not ordinarily, as may be determined by the Board of Trustees, be required to pay the annual subscription.

THE FELLOWSHIP WITHOUT EXAMINATION

- 80. Notwithstanding the provisions of these Laws relating to Fellowship by examination it shall be in the power of Council to admit to the Fellowship without Examination:
 - 80.1. Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery;
 - 80.2. Registered medical practitioners who are not Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery whose professional status is of a high order and who are deemed to have rendered special service to surgery in general or to the College in

particular;

- 80.3. Registered medical practitioners who are not Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery, but who have passed an Intercollegiate Specialty Examination and have completed a Higher Surgical Training programme recognised by the appropriate Specialist Advisory Committee.
- 81. Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery may apply directly in writing to the College for consideration for admission to the Fellowship without Examination.
- 82. Proposals to award the Fellowship without Examination to registered medical practitioners who are not Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery shall be made in writing to the College by five Fellows of the College in good standing. Council shall decide which applicants shall be awarded the Fellowship without Examination.
- 83. Fellows admitted without Examination shall have the same rights, and privileges and obligations as Fellows elected after examination.
- 84. The form of the Diploma granted to Fellows admitted without Examination shall be as determined by Regulations.

THE FELLOWSHIP AD HOMINEM

- 85. Notwithstanding the provisions of the Laws relating to Fellowship without Examination, it shall be in the power of Council to admit to the Fellowship ad hominem:-
 - 85.1. Fellows of sister Colleges or Corporations of Surgery;
 - 85.2. Current or former practitioners or other individuals of distinction whose professional status is of a high order and who are deemed worthy of the honour.
- 86. Proposals to award the Fellowship ad hominem shall be made in writing to the College by a Fellow of the College and seconded by another Fellow.
- 87. Fellows ad hominem shall become ordinary Fellows and shall have all the rights and privileges of ordinary Fellows and shall conform to these Laws except that they shall not be required to pay an election fee or an annual subscription.
- 88. The form of the Diploma granted to Fellows ad hominem shall be prescribed in the Regulations.

THE HONORARY FELLOWSHIP

- 89. The Honorary Fellowship of the College may be conferred on those (whether or not medically qualified) who are deemed worthy of the honour.
- 90. Proposals to confer the Honorary Fellowship shall be considered by Council.

91. The form of Diploma granted to Honorary Fellows shall be prescribed in the Regulations.

COMPANION OF THE COLLEGE

- 92. The title Companion of the College may be conferred on those (whether or not medically qualified) who have made significant and lasting contributions to the College.
- 93. Candidates for the award of Companionship shall be nominated and seconded by a Fellow or Member of the College. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the College with biographical details and other relevant information, together with a testimony as to the reason for nomination. Council shall be empowered to award the Companionship of the College.
- 94. Persons bestowed with the award of Companion shall be admitted at a Diploma Ceremony and shall be presented with a certificate together with a medal bearing, on its obverse, a representation of the Coat of Arms of the College and, on the reverse, the inscription of the name of the recipient and the year of the award.

CONDUCT OF MEMBERS AND FELLOWS AND DISCIPLINARY PROCESS

95. The Board of Trustees shall determine by Regulations a Code of Conduct for the conduct of Members and Fellows which shall include a disciplinary process.

OTHER DIPLOMAS

96. Regulations may from time to time be approved by the College for the granting, solely by the College or conjointly with other bodies, of Diplomas in other recognised branches of medicine or dentistry.

INDEMNITY INSURANCE

- 97. The Board of Trustees may purchase and maintain for any member of the Board of Trustees, Council or Dental Council or any Committee of the College, insurance against:-
 - 97.1. any liability which by virtue of any rule of law may attach to them in respect of any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which they may be guilty in their capacity as such member of the Board of Trustees, Council, Dental Council or Committee;
 - 97.2. all costs, charges and expenses which may be incurred by them in contesting any such liability or alleged liability;
 - 97.3. but always excluding liability arising from any act or omission by such member who knew it to be a breach of the Supplementary Charter, Laws or Regulations of the College or of any other duty, or which was committed in reckless disregard of whether it was such a breach or not.