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BRITISH REPLY TO QUESTIONNAIRE UEMO 2000/193 ON GERIATRICS

General Practitioners see their role in caring for all patients regardless of their age. It therefore seems important for General Practitioners to be the competent doctor also for their elderly and old patients.

In your country, is there a separate medical speciality for geriatric care or an additional qualification in geriatric care which doctors may obtain and are all doctors eligible for such an additional qualification?

Please answer the following questions:

1. In your country, is there a title like geriatric care?
Yes, Geriatric Medicine
2. If so, is this a separate specialty in its own right?
Yes
3. Or is it an additional qualification?
There is also a Diploma in Geriatric Medicine, run by the Royal College of Physicians
4. If it is an additional qualification, what are the preconditions to qualify for it?
The doctor must have at least two years experience in geriatrics.
5. May a General Practitioner obtain such an additional qualification?
Providing he or she fulfils the requirements, there is no reason why he or she cannot obtain the diploma.
6. In what case, a geriatric qualification may be put on the doctors plate in order to inform the public?
Diploma in Geriatric Medicine

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