

Medical Trainees Conference 2027 - 53rd John Halliday Croom Lecture Submission Criteria

Applications for the John Halliday Croom lecture are invited from Collegiate members of any UK Royal College of Physicians, working in the UK.

The winner will be invited to give a lecture, in person, at the Member and Trainees conference 2027. The lecture is named after the late Sir John Halliday Croom, a past President of the College, in recognition of his support of the concept of Collegiate membership.

The lecture should be on a topic related to primary research which the entrant has been actively involved in within the last 5 years (literature reviews are not suitable). Candidates are asked to submit an outline of the proposed lecture, including a summary of their involvement in the research project and how they will make this an entertaining presentation for a general medical audience.

The word limit is strictly 1000 words and any entries exceeding this will not be considered.

Lecture outlines will be read by the Trainee and Members Committee and the highest scoring entrant, based on this scoring matrix, will be invited to give their lectures at the MTC 2027, as well as being presented with a medal and a prize of £250 on the day.

Scoring Matrix:

- Outline – clear layout/ structure, how this will be communicated to a general medical audience, detail of the role of applicant in the research
- Content – clear introduction which is understandable and relevant, clear methods, relevant results highlighted, clear relevance to patients, future impact of research, novelty of research, appropriate references
- Overall impression including relevance to general medicine

The deadline for submissions is **9am, Wednesday 4 November 2026**.