



**MEMBERSHIP TO THE FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICINE**  
APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO MFPHMI PART II EXAMINATION

**TESTIMONIAL FORM**

One testimonial form must be completed for each Public Health Report to be submitted. Testimonials should be signed by a Member of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine of Ireland or the United Kingdom (usually the candidate's trainer or advisor for the Public Health Report).

**Candidate's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Exam Sitting (Month, Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Public Health Report Number (current sitting): 1 ☐ 2 ☐

**Title of Public Health Report:**

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Once this Public Health Report is accepted and published in the RCPI Digital Library, it will become accessible to some/all members of the public (see Appendix I for further information). Please specify in Table 1 below the appropriate level of public access to this Public Health Report, as agreed by the exam candidate in partnership with their Trainer and/or Advisor. Please tick only *one* option:

*Table 1 Level of public access allocated to this Public Health Report, following discussion and joint agreement between exam candidate, candidate's trainer and/or advisor*

1. Members of the public subject to a one-year delay	
2. MFPHMI members or Part II exam candidates (individuals who have passed the MFPHMI Part I exam or equivalent) only	
3. Members of the Public Health Examinations Committee only	

I, \_\_\_\_\_ being a Member of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine of Ireland or the United Kingdom and actively engaged in the practice of Public Health Medicine, certify that to the best of my knowledge Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ carried out the research on which his or her report is based, except where otherwise acknowledged in the Public Health Report, and that I have reached a joint agreement in partnership with the candidate (and their Advisor, where required), as to the appropriate level of public access to this report, once accepted and published in the RCPI Digital Library, as indicated in Table 1 above.

Signed by Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby declare that this report is my own original work and has not been submitted before to any institution for assessment purposes. Further, I have acknowledged all sources used and have cited these in the reference section. I have discussed and agreed with my Trainer and/or Advisor the appropriate level of public access to this Public Health Report, once accepted and published in the RCPI Digital Library, as indicated in Table 1 above.

Signed by Candidate: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Appendix I: Supplementary information regarding level of public access to your Public Health Report(s) (PHRs) once accepted into the RCPI Digital Library**

**Background**

As per the [MFPHMI Examination Regulations](#), you will be required to submit a digital copy of your two final PHRs once each has been awarded a Pass grade and all corrections have been accepted. Your reports will then be accessible to others. You are required to consider what level of public access is appropriate for each of your PHRs. You will be required to reach a joint decision, in partnership with your Trainer and/or Advisor regarding what level of public access is appropriate for each of your PHRs. The definitions below may assist in making this decision.

**Definitions of levels of access to your PHRs**

1. Members of the public subject to a one-year delay

Once accepted into the RCPI Digital Library, your report will be automatically listed as publicly accessible 12 months after its date of acceptance into the library. This means that once the 12 months since your PHR was accepted into the Digital Library have elapsed, members of the RCPI, as well as members of the general public external to the RCPI, will be able to find your report via Google and download and cite it.

You might consider this option if you are pursuing a publication with an academic journal/conference that is based on your PHR as some publication guidelines specify that the work you submit must not have been previously published elsewhere. Delaying the publication of your PHR in the RCPI Digital Library by 12 months will allow for publication elsewhere in the first instance. Submission guidelines for academic journals/conferences vary so it's important to explore this issue before making a decision. In choosing this option, you and your Trainer and/or Advisor are agreeing that the content of your PHR is fit for public circulation and the contributors to this PHR are in agreement with it being shared publicly.

**Please note: if you choose this option, your report will be automatically published 12 months after the date it is accepted into the RCPI Digital Library. If you require additional time beyond this 12 month time period to pursue and complete an academic publication, please inform the RCPI Library Services at: [heritagecentre@rcpi.ie](mailto:heritagecentre@rcpi.ie).**

2. Only MFPHMI members and Part II exam candidates (individuals who have passed the MFPHMI Part I exam or equivalent)

Once accepted into the RCPI Digital Library, your report will be automatically listed as accessible to MFPHMI members or Part II exam candidates (defined as individuals who have passed the MFPHMI Part I exam or equivalent and are now preparing for the MFPHMI Part II exam). This means that members of the Faculty of Public Health Medicine of Ireland and Part II exam candidates who have a log-in, will be able to access your full PHR, download it and cite it.

Following discussion with your Trainer and/or Advisor, you might collectively decide that this option is the most appropriate if your report contains a level of sensitive information and is



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therefore not suitable for general public circulation (e.g. pertaining to an outbreak or an environmental health incident).

3. Only members of the Public Health Medicine Examinations Committee (PHMEC)

Once accepted into the RCPI Digital Library, your report will be automatically listed as accessible to PHMEC members only. This means that members of the PHMEC will be able to access your full PHR, download it and use it for reference. It will not be cited, nor will it be searchable via the Google search platform.

Following discussion with your Trainer and/or Advisor you might collectively decide that this option is the most appropriate level of access to your PHR if the content of the PHR is confidential and will remain so into the future (e.g. pertaining to a significant public health incident with potential to identify parties involved).