

Royal College of Surgeons Council Election 2015

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There is a real danger that constant attempts to deprofessionalise surgery will lead to a reduction in high calibre individuals entering training. Our College should be the most important body with the power to direct education, set standards, and examine at an appropriately rigorous level without political interference. Work time directives, reducing clinical experience and patterns of training are impacting on our trainees and many surgeons feel powerless to resist the changes that they know to be detrimental.

I wish to represent those of you who feel like me that standards are dropping and the profession is at risk.