



IMT 2027 Points Maximiser

All six self-assessment domains on one page: what each is worth for 2027, what you can still add before applications close, and the evidence mistakes that cost applicants points.

30

Maximum score for 2027.
The 5-point IMT-only bonus is removed.

≈15 / 30

Implied interview line in 2025, the last year scored out of 30.
Derived from NHS England data. Not an official cut-off.

19 Nov expected

Expected closing date (opening expected 22 Oct).
Not officially confirmed as of 5 October 2026.

The six domains Ordered by how much you can still do before applications close

DOMAIN · MAX	HOW IT IS SCORED (2027 VALUES)	BEFORE THE DEADLINE? · YOUR MOVE
Presentations & posters 8 pts	8 Oral, national or international meeting 6 Poster, national or international meeting 4 Oral, regional meeting 2 Oral, local; or poster, regional or local First or second author only. UP FROM 6	YES, IF THE MEETING IS BEFORE YOU SUBMIT Biggest lever left this season. Turn a finished audit, QI project or case into an abstract for a national meeting held before applications close. One option is NMERC 2026 , which runs online on Sat 14 Nov and is free to submit to until 31 Oct.
Training in teaching 3 pts	3 PG Cert or PG Dip in teaching (university-accredited, 60+ credits) 1 A teaching-methods course with at least 6 hours of <u>live</u> (synchronous) teaching	YES · ONE DAY Book a live one-day course and keep the certificate. Recorded or self-paced content alone does not meet the 6-hour live rule.
Teaching experience 5 pts	5 Organised a programme you taught on for ~3+ months, with formal feedback 3 Taught regularly on a defined programme for ~3+ months, with formal feedback 1 Occasional teaching (at least 3 sessions), with formal feedback	1 POINT YES · 3–5 NEED MONTHS Deliver three sessions to students or colleagues now, collect feedback forms and write a one-page summary. That's the 1 point.
Quality improvement 4 pts	4 All stages of two QI cycles 3 Some stages of two cycles, or all stages of one 1 Some stages of one cycle	ONLY IF A CYCLE COMPLETES IN TIME An unfinished cycle scores 0. "All stages" means the change was actually made and re-measured, not just suggested. Finish the cycle you're in and get a QIPAT form signed.
Publications 6 pts	6 First, joint-first or corresponding author, PubMed-cited original research (or in press) 5 Co-author of the same 4 More than one PubMed-cited "other" publication (reviews, editorials, case reports) or a book chapter 2 One PubMed-cited "other" publication 1 Abstracts, or articles not cited on PubMed	UNLIKELY · NEEDS FULL ACCEPTANCE Check whether anything you submitted has been fully accepted, because "in press" counts but "under review" doesn't. CHANGED Abstracts and letters no longer count as PubMed-cited "other" publications.
Postgraduate degrees 4 pts	4 PhD or MD by research 3 Master's degree 1 Other PG diploma or certificate (typically 1–10 months)	NO · ALREADY FIXED Score what you have. Intercollegiate degrees and MRCP don't count, and a teaching PG Cert goes under Training in teaching instead.

Five evidence traps

- True on the day you submit.** Nothing "planned" or "booked", except publications that are fully accepted.
- Keep the paper trail.** Acceptance letter or abstract-book entry for talks and posters, and a QIPAT form for QI.
- "Formal feedback"** means an observation form or collated feedback with a summary, not a thank-you email.
- One item, one domain.** An abstract from a talk you claimed can't score again.
- Don't round up.** IMT says over-claiming can lead to a probity investigation.

Where Erudical fits

Training in teaching · 1 point. The Teach the Teacher Live Course: 6 hours of live online teaching in one day, with a certificate. [See course dates](#)

Presentations · up to 8 points. NMERC 2026, an online national medical education & research conference, runs on Saturday 14 November. Submitting an abstract is free until 31 October, and every abstract is peer reviewed. Course buyers attend free. [Submit an abstract](#)

Score yourself: the free IMT Application Points Calculator takes a couple of minutes, shows your gap to the interview line and tells you where to close it. erudical.com/imt-application-points-calculator