New Clinical Examination for MRCPCH from October 2004

The examination tests:
- Communication skills
- History taking and consultation
- Clinical examination skills and developmental assessment
- Management planning
- Clinical rapport
- Clinical judgement
- Professional behaviour
- Ethical practice
- Recognition of acute illness

In the new Clinical Examination:
- communication and consultation skills are explicitly assessed
- there is improved standardisation and reliability
- videos will test clinical assessment of acute illness
- all stations (other than video) are observed by an examiner
- an examiner assesses the candidate’s overall performance at each station
- all candidates see 6 short cases including developmental assessment

We welcome feedback about these changes

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