

## **Publication withdrawn**

This guidance was withdrawn in June 2026.

The Advisory Committee on Clinical Excellence Awards (ACCEA) was replaced by the [Advisory Committee on Clinical Impact Awards](#) in 2022.

## **Applicants Guide for the 2016 Round: Summary of changes**

- **1.5.4 Distinction awards:** clarifying that these are scored against the CEA equivalents
- **1.5.6 Regional scoring:** all new and renewal applications are scored in their region. Each regional sub-committee is divided into two scoring groups
- **1.5.9 National Reserves process:** includes details of the NRES sub-committee
- **1.8, 3.8 Personal statements will be published:** this remains the practice; the personal statements of successful candidates are published
- **2.1.7 Applying for an award following retirement:** explains what evidence will be considered for a new award
- **2.1.9 Consultants who previously held a reinstated distinction award applying for an award:** explains what evidence will be considered for a new award
- **3.7.1 Things to remember when applying:** for renewal applications include any extenuating circumstances such as ill health
- **4.2.2, 4.2.7 Successful renewal applications:** explains cut-off scores applied to achieve successful renewal applications

**The amendments to the other Guides are mainly consequential upon these changes.**