Course Organisers SWOT for Spring Term 2006

Strengths

Good bunch of enthusiastic GPs Flourishing Group Did well on West Mids pre exam MRCGP course (all in top 1/5) final results awaited

More participative. Balance between involved members and passive participants shifted to far more involvement and ownership.

SHO Group worked well

Using named facilitator for each group presentation worked well, allowed exploration of educational aims and objectives and learning methods and increase a variety of methods used on ½ day release

Managed to redesign scheme into 4 month blocks

Weaknesses

Ran out of money for lunch

Fragmented by educational dialogue sessions mid tem

Registrar small group too big -18, which led to differing needs within the group not being met.

Some people still not prepared to take responsibility for their own learning and let other people down in group by failing to play their part.

Opportunities

New Regional School of general practice

Wider breadth of education

Increased time in General practice with all schemes now having at least 1 x 4 month innovative post

Threats

Cut backs in funding for educationalists and GP trainees Rapidly changing goal posts Uncertainty