



## **Coronavirus (COVID-19)- update 12/1/21**

Due to the ongoing rapidly changing Covid situation, the POGP short courses admin team have made a number of necessary changes to ensure that the courses can continue to be delivered safely, under the recent government guidelines and current restrictions.

Throughout the pandemic, the safety of our participants, hosts and tutors is of paramount importance to POGP. As an organisation, POGP remains fully committed to offering access to education and training in whatever way is reasonably possible. As a result, most of the POGP courses have now been adapted to some extent for Zoom delivery, in particular, the one-day courses. It is recognised that Zoom delivery presents challenges for participants and tutors, however, the feedback from participants who have taken part in these study days has been positive and helped POGP to continue to improve the delivery of these courses.

The following changes will be put in place until the end of June – or until there is a definite change in what is permitted in terms of travel, face to face contact and for what purposes.

### **Adaption to the courses:**

All courses that do not contain a 'hands on' practical component will be delivered by Zoom on the designated date or over several sessions by agreement with the host / tutors.

All courses with a practical component will be offered in two parts.

- Part A

The theory sections of the course **will be delivered online via Zoom**

- Part B

The practical elements of the course will follow at a later date when government restrictions allow .

POGP is grateful for the considerable effort and time that the tutors have spent making the necessary adaptations to allow the POGP Course programme to continue to run as well as it can in the circumstances.

Thank you for your understanding

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on behalf of the POGP short course admin team