If you have a UK bank account and have authority to set up payments from the account, you have the option to pay your annual retention fee by Direct Debit. We recommend this for the following reasons:

**Spread the cost** - Paying by Direct Debit allows you to spread your fee over the year in quarterly or ten monthly instalments at no extra cost. You can also pay in one annual payment if you prefer.

**Select the date** - You can select your preferred payment date from a selection of dates.

**Peace of Mind** - Payments are made automatically so your annual fee is never forgotten and your status on the medical register is not put at risk.

**Save time** - Direct Debit takes the hassle out of paying your annual fee.

**Guaranteed** - You are protected by the Direct Debit Guarantee and can cancel the agreement at any time.

Please note the GMC will use the details you provide to collect payments which are owed to us. Where necessary, and as a last resort, we can use them to ask a court to grant a Third Party Debt Order.

You can also set up Direct Debits online. Log in to GMC Online via smartphone by scanning this code.

### The Direct Debit Guarantee

- **This Guarantee is offered by all banks and building societies that accept instructions to pay Direct Debits**
- If there are any changes to the amount, date or frequency of your Direct Debit General Medical Council will notify you ten working days in advance of your account being debited or as otherwise agreed. If you request General Medical Council to collect a payment, confirmation of the amount and date will be given to you at the time of the request
- If an error is made in the payment of your Direct Debit, by General Medical Council or your bank or building society, you are entitled to a full and immediate refund of the amount paid from your bank or building society
- If you receive a refund you are not entitled to, you must pay it back when General Medical Council asks you to
- You can cancel a Direct Debit at any time by simply contacting your bank or building society. Written confirmation may be required. Please also notify us.

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