

## **Definition of fitness to practise**

## The Medical Council states:

A doctor is not fit to practise medicine if, because of a mental or physical condition, he or she is not able to perform the functions required for the practice of medicine. Those functions include:

- making safe judgements
- demonstrating the level of skill and knowledge required for safe practice
- behaving appropriately
- not risking infecting patients with whom the doctor comes in contact
- not acting in ways that impact adversely on patient safety.