

My No. PGIM/EX/7/MSc/CM ('14)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
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To : DDGPHS,
Directors/Epidemiological Unit/MCH/Special Campaigns,
Director/NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/MSs of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Provincial Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,
Sri Jayewardenepura,

**MSc (COMMUNITY MEDICINE/COMMUNITY DENTISTRY) EXAMINATIONS –
NOVEMBER, 2014 (NEW PROSPECTUS - 2013)**

1. The above examination will commence on **Monday, 17 November, 2014.**
2. Applications are invited from medical/dental officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - a. Satisfactory completion of one year training
 - b. Attendance of more than 80% for each of the modules
 - c. Satisfactory completion of Log Book and acceptance by the BOS
 - d. duly completed Portfolio which is acceptable to the BOS
 - e. Completion of all the assignments

3. The MSc (Community Medicine) examination consists of four components, Written Papers/Clinical/In-course Assessment and Dissertation. A candidate should obtain 40% for each of the written papers i.e. for the two (2) papers, 15% for Clinical, 20% for In course assessment, 25% for Dissertation. To pass the examination , a candidate should obtain an overall aggregate of 50% or more and a minimum percentage mark as specified below for three of the four components –

Written Papers (2 Papers)	- 50%
Clinical	- 45%
Dissertation	- 50%

For Failed candidates, the requirements given in the prospectus will apply.

4. The MSc (Community Dentistry) examination consists of four components, Written Papers/Spots/In-course Assessment and Dissertation. A candidate should obtain 20%for each of the written papers i.e. for the two (2) papers, 15% for Spots, 20% In-course assessment, 25% for Dissertation. To pass the examination , a candidate should obtain an overall aggregate of 50% or more and a minimum percentage mark as specified below for three of the four components –

Written Papers (2 Papers)	- 50%
Spots	- 45%
Dissertation	- 50%

For Failed candidates, the requirements given in the prospectus will apply.

5. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be, as follows :

(a) Registration fee	- Rs.	4,000.00 (Non refundable)
(b) Examination fees	- Rs.	23,500.00
(c) Assessment fee of dissertation	- Rs.	4,000.00

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on each fee of the PGIM)

6. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of the first examination.** This requirement will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/Part I examinations before 1998. However after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo further training for a minimum period of one year further training before being permitted to sit the sixth attempt.

7. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus.

8. The successful candidates who will register for the MD training programme should undergo 2 years Post MD training (1 year local and 1 year overseas) to be eligible for Board certification.

9. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1,000/- or can be download from our website www.cmb.ac.lk/pgim . Requests for application and other details by post should accompany a SASE 9" x 4" in size and a money order for Rs. 1,000/- drawn in favour of Postgraduate Institute of Medicine and payable at the Cinnamon Gardens Post Office. The envelope should be marked "**Application for MSc (Community Medicine/Community Dentistry Examination**" at the top left hand corner.

10. Applications **with every cage duly filled** should be forwarded to the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, PGIM, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **03 October, 2014** through the Head of Department/Course Coordinator. **Late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

11. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.

12. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2014.

13. The unofficial results of the examination will be only released following approval by the Board of Management, However for the results to be valid and official the **Senate of the University should approve the result.**

14. The candidate will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the admission documents. It should be sent to Director/ PGIM under confidential cover within **48 hours after conclusion of the examination.** If the form is not received it will be confirmed that you do not have any concerns regarding the examination and it had been conducted according to the Prospectus / rules regulations of the PGIM. **No complaints or concerns regarding the examination will be entertained after 48 hours or following release of results** nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.

Professor H.Janaka de Silva
Director, PGIM

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