My No. PGIM/EX/10/SE/PG/D/SM (16) Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7. 04th January 2015

To: Director/NHSL, Colombo,

Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,

Regional Directors of Health Services,

Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,

Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,

Sri Jayewardenepura,

<u>SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR ENROLMENT TO THE IN-SERVICE TRAINING</u> <u>PROGRAMME IN POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN SPORTS MEDICINE -</u> APRIL 2016

- 1. The above examination will be held on **05**th **April 2016.**
- 2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the Selection Examination for Postgraduate Diploma in Sports Medicine.
 - (a) A medical degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council:
 - (b) satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
 - (c) satisfactory completion of one year of post internship in medical practice in a University/Public Sector Institution/Non State sector (see item 6) in Sri Lanka acceptable to the PGIM as at the date of closure of applications, ie. 15th March 2016
 - (d) any other requirement/s stipulated by the Board of Study that has/have been approved by the Board of Management.
 - <u>Note</u>: In respect of (c) above, those who have availed maternity or sick leave during this one year period could be considered eligible provided they have completed 80% of the post intern year.
- 3. The applicants to be eligible for enrolment to the training programme should pass the selection examination. The current format of the Selection Examination for the perusal of applicants is described in the Prospectus and relevant examination documents which are available at the PGIM.
- 4. The selection examination shall consist of a MCQ Paper and a Performance Based Assessment. The MCQ Paper shall consist of 40 questions with 2 hours duration. The content areas from which the questions are based on is described in the prospectus and documents available at the PGIM. The Performance Based Assessment will include Sports Medicine related activities for which marks shall be allocated. The details are described in the prospectus and examinations documents which are available at the PGIM.

5. The candidates who pass the Selection Examination by scoring 50% or more of the total aggregate and a minimum of 40% for the MCQ Paper shall be enrolled for the Postgraduate Diploma in Sports Medicine training programme.

Note:-

Candidates who obtain 40% or above at the MCQ Paper will only be permitted to proceed for the Performance Based Assessment Component. A copy of the Performance Based Assessed marking scheme will be issued along with the application form.

- 6. **16 candidates** from the **Ministry of Health (MOH)** who pass the Selection Examination will be enrolled in the training programme. Placements will be made purely in the order of merit. The details are available at the Examination Branch office of the PGIM and on the PGIM website under "General Regulations and Guidelines 2016". The **16 MOH** candidate's marks will be taken as a cut-off line and the candidates in sections **8, 9** and **10 will have to obtain a mark similar to this or above to be offered a place in the training programme.**
- 7. The final number of available training placements will be determined based on the total number of candidates above the cut-off line.
- 8. All candidates from **State Universities** who are above the cut- off line will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit
- 9. All candidates from the **Armed Forces** (**including Police**) who are above the cut- off line will be enrolled in the training programme in order of the merit.
- 10. All **Non-State Sector** candidates who are above the cut- off line will be enrolled in the training programme. They will be placed below the order of merit for candidates from the MOH, State Universities and Armed Forces (including Police) based on the merit within the non-state sector category.
- 11. Following the examination and release of results the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.
- 12. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
- 13. The allocation of training units will be done as described in "General Regulations & Guideline 2016" and according to the approved procedure by the PGIM based on merit. The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

- 14. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If this is not done another eligible candidate will be selected. And the candidate, who refused, will not be permitted to register in the programme in a subsequent year with the same results unless a valid medical certificate from a consultant acceptable to the PGIM is submitted.
- 15. This is offered as a part time, withv06- 10 month of ouse work. It is based on a credit based system, and on satisfactory completion of the diploma they may proceed to the MD programme. Credits earned in this course are tansferable
- 16. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates in the state sector are as follows:

(a) Registration fee - Rs. 4,000.00 (non refundable) (b) Examination fees - Rs. 11,500.00 (non refundable)

(candidates from non-state sector will be charged 50% more of the above listed fees)

- 17. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1000/-. The application form also could be downloaded from the website http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/ on payment of Rs. 1000/-
- 18. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, PGIM. No. 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 **on or before 15th March 2016.** The envelope should be marked "Application for Selection Examination for enrolment to the inservice training programme in Postgraduate Diploma in Sports Medicine" at the top left hand corner Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.
- 19. The selected candidates shall report to the training unit allocated to him/her within one month on receipt of the letter of selection to the training programme and allocation to the training unit.
- 20. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers / dental surgeons concerned in your department/division/faculty.
- 21. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website www.health.gov.lk

- 22. The results will be valid and official only after they are approved by the **Senate of the University of Colombo.**
- 23. The candidates will be issued an "Examination Feedback Form" with the admission documents and this should be sent back to Director/PGIM under confidential cover within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination. If the form is not returned it will be assumed that you do not have any concerns regarding the examination and it was conducted according to the Prospectus/rules/regulations of the PGIM. No complaints or concerns regarding the examination will be entertained after 48 hours of conclusion of the examination or following the release of results nor will these be investigated by the PGIM.

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