

Circular Letter No. 20 / 2017

My No. PGIM/EX/2/MD/Oto (17)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha,
Colombo 7.
3rd March, 2017

MD (OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY) EXAMINATION – JUNE, 2017

1. The above examination will commence on **19th June, 2017**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the examination.

Satisfactory completion of the training programme of 3 years. The *Clinical Appointment Card/Log book/Certificates from the supervisory consultants/the trainee's Assessment Form* which provides evidence of satisfactory completion of the said training has to be submitted with the application.

Note :-
Candidates eligible to enroll for the examination must also submit a Case Book consisting of 10 cases managed by him/her during the training appointments. The completed and approval for the Case Book from Board of Study should be submitted with the application.
3. The examination shall consist of 7 parts.
 - (a) **Theory** -
 1. Paper I - Otology, Audiology & Rhinology
 2. Paper II - Laryngology, Head & Neck Surgery
 3. Paper III- Principles of General Surgery
 - (b) **Clinicals**
 4. Long Case in Otorhinolaryngology – 1 hour.
 5. Short Cases in Otorhinolaryngology – 45 minutes
 - (c) **Orals**
 6. (a) Otorhinolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery – 30 minutes
 - (b) Operative Otorhinolaryngology and Head and Neck Surgery – 30 minutes
 7. General Surgery – 30 minutes
4. The pass mark in each section is 9 and the total pass mark is 63 (7 x 9).
5. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
6. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD (Otorhinolaryngology) examination are required to be present for the first scheduled examination after completion of the training programme. If a candidate does not apply or does not sit the first scheduled examination, or subsequent scheduled examination for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study the examination will be counted as an attempt.

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7. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the Part II 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 a minimum period of one year further training before permitted the sixth attempt.

8. The allocation training units will be done as described in “General Regulation and Guidelines – 2017 and according to the approved procedure by the PGIM based on merit. The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.

9. The candidates should commence the overseas training within five years after passing the MD Examination and if not the date of Board Certification will be delayed.

10. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly

11. The minimum duration of Post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification shall be one year local and one year overseas. However the duration may be more than two years in certain specialties and the information is available in the prospectus.

12. The candidates who shall commence the Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after January, 2011 should pass the Pre-Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.

13. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee applies for Board Certification with the relevant documents within one month following the completion of such requirements. If this is not followed, the date of Board Certification will be delayed.

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

(a) Application fee	- Rs. 2,000.00
(b) Registration fee	- Rs. 5,000.00 (non refundable)
(c) Examination fee	- Rs. 51,000.00

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on fees stated above.)

Only online payments will be accepted b the PGIM

15. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 2000/-. It also can be downloaded from our website **www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk** for which Rs. 2000/- should be paid together with other payments. 16. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha on or before **5th May, 2017.** **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

17. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of medical Officers of Department of Health website – www.health.gov.lk.

18. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2017.

19. **The results will be valid and official after confirmation of the Senate of the University.**

20. 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.

Professor H. Janaka de Silva
Director, PGIM

c.c. Secretary of Board of Study in Otorhinolaryngology