

Circular Letter No. 14/2016

My No. PGIM/EX/4/D/RH/QE (2016)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
22nd January 2016

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo
Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
DMOs/Base Hospitals,
Provincial Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,

Sri Jayewardenepura,

**SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR ENTRY TO THE COURSE OF STUDY
LEADING TO THE POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN REPRODUCTIVE
HEALTH – 2016**

1. The above examination will commence on **10th March, 2016**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the examination.
 - (a) a medical degree registered *with the Sri Lanka Medical Council ;
 - (b) satisfactory completion of internship acceptable to the Sri Lanka Medical Council;
 - (c) a minimum of six months clinical appointment in Obstetrics and Gynaecology under the supervision of a consultant.
 - (d) five years of service as a Medical Officer after completion of the internship.

Note:- A certificate from the Consultant, stating the completion of a six months Clinical appointment in Obstetrics & Gynaecology must be submitted along with the application form.

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 2005 and relevant examination documents which are available at the PGIM.
4. The selection examination shall consist of a MCQ paper consisting of 40 questions of two hours duration. The first twenty (20) candidates in the order of merit will be called upon for an interview to evaluate the relevance of present and past involvement of the candidate in the field of Reproductive Health (MOH/DMO/MOMCH)

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5. Only a **maximum of 15 (Fifteen) candidates** from the **State Sector** who pass the selection examination and **“who are above the cut-off line”** will be enrolled in the training programme in the order of merit. The details are available at the examination branch, office of the PGIM.

6. No candidates will be selected from non state sector, state universities and Armed Forces.

7. Please note that a minimum number of eight(08) candidates are needed to commence the course.

8. Following the examination and release of results the above numbers shall not be changed nor shall requests for such changes be entertained.

9. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.

10. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General regulations & Guide lines 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.

11. 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.

12. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from Ministry of Health is a prerequisite for enrollment. When relevant it may be necessary to sign a bond before such enrollment if such a requirement has been decided by the Ministry of Health or University.

13. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates in the state sector are as follows:-

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| (a) Registration fee | - Rs. 4,000/- |
| (b) Examination fees | - Rs. 11,500/- |

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

14. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1000/-or can be downloaded from our website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>.

15. Completed applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department, confirming that the applicants if selected would be released for postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Senior Asst. Registrar/ Examinations, PGIM. No. 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **19th February 2016**. The envelope should be marked **“Application for the Selection Examination in Postgraduate Diploma in Reproductive Health”** at the top left hand corner. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

16. The selected candidates should 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.
17. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in PGIM website – www.health.gov.lk
18. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
19. 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.
20. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.

Professor H. Janaka de Silva
Director, PGIM

- Copy: 1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
2. Director General of Health Services.
3. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
4. Secretary of Board of Study in Obstetrics & Gynaecology .
5. Secretary, College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists of Sri Lanka.
6. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
7. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.

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