

My No. PGIM/EX/6/MD/Ortho/S (20/1)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha  
Colombo 7.  
1<sup>st</sup> February 2020

To: Director/NHSL,  
Directors 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/ Rajarata,

**MD (ORTHOPAEDIC SURGERY) EXAMINATION –FEBRUARY 2020**

The above examination will commence on **24<sup>th</sup> February 2020**. The examination will be held in Colombo.

2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.

- (1) Passed the Selection Examination in (Surgery) or exempted from the Selection Examination.
- (2) Completion of specific training programme to the satisfaction of the Board of Study in Orthopaedic Surgery.
- (3) Participation in a Basic Skill Course approved by the Board of Study
- (4) Participation in a recognized Fracture Management Course approved by the Board of Study
- (5) Obtain the required number of CME Points – As indicated at the beginning of training programme
- (6) Completed the required evaluations satisfactory – As indicated at the beginning of the training Programme
- (7) Performed the required number of Operations as indicated at the beginning of the training Programme
- (8) Done necessary number of Case Presentations and / or written specific number of case reports as indicated at the beginning of the training Programme
- (9) A certificate of the Professionalism & Ethics in Medical Practices Strand organized by the PGIM should be submitted along with the application.
- (10) Any other requirements that are indicated at the beginning of the training Programme

**Note:-**

Only those whose Case Books have been already accepted and approved by the Board of Study would be eligible to sit the finalexamination. Case Books should have been submitted at least 6 months before the examination.

3. The MD (Orthopaedic Surgery) examination shall consist of (1) two written Papers (Paper I and Paper II) (2) Orals - Operative Surgery (3) Orals - Orthopaedic Principles and Basic Sciences (4) Clinicals (Long case and Short cases). The content areas from which the questions are based on is described in the Prospectus.
4. The candidate will have to obtain a minimum mark of 9 in each component to pass the examination.
5. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
6. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD 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 examinations for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examination will be counted as an attempt.
7. Please note that **candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the MD Examination which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of first examination.** However, after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one year further training before permitted the sixth attempt. These requirements will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/ Part I examinations before 1998.
8. The allocation of Post MD training units will be done as described in "General Regulations and Guidelines -2020 which is available on the PGIM web site [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk). The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.
9. Post-MD trainees should commence post-MD overseas training within two (02) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training. Any delay will be added to the date of effective Board Certification.
10. Post-MD trainees who delay commencing overseas post-MD training by more than four (04) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training will have their trainee status terminated.
11. There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is a delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly.

12. 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.

13.. The candidates who shall commence the Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after 1<sup>st</sup> August 2011 should pass the Pre- Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.

14. 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.

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

(a) Registration fee	- Rs.	6,000/=	(Non Refundable)
(b) Examination fee	- Rs.	59,000/=	
(c) Application fee	- Rs.	3,000/=	(Non Refundable)
(d) Case Book assessment fee	- Rs.	3,000/=	(Non Refundable)

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

**Only online payment through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM.**

16. The application form can be downloaded from our website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk)

17. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department confirming that the applicant if selected would be released for Postgraduate training in the PGIM. The applications should reach the Asst. Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, No. 160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7 on or before **14<sup>th</sup> February 2020**. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

18. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website

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

20. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.

21. The candidates will be issued an “**Examination Feedback Form**” with the admission documents. Feedback in Part II should be limited to concerns, if any, regarding the conduct of the examination (eg. perceived biases, discriminatory behaviour, harassment, intimidation) and NOT regarding the format or content of the examination. The form should be sent back to Director/PGIM under confidential cover **within 48 hours after conclusion of the examination. No 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.

22. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updates.



Professor H. Janaka de Silva  
Director

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