

Circular Letter No. 26 / 2016

My No. PGIM/EX/14/SE/DHDP (16)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
17th March, 2016

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Dental Sciences/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,
Sri Jayewardenepura,
Director, Dental Institute, Colombo,

**SELECTION EXAMINATION OF THE POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN
HOSPITAL DENTAL PRACTICE (PgDHDP) – 2016**

1. The selection examination for admission to the above training programme will be held on **24th June, 2016**.
2. Applications are invited by me from dental officers possessing the following minimum requirements to sit the above examination.
 - (a) A dental degree registrable with the Sri Lanka Medical Council **and**
 - (b) completed a minimum of six (06) years service in the Department of Health services, the Universities or Defense Services as at the date of closure of applications i.e. **15th May 2016**

Note:

The criteria prescribed in paragraph (c) must have been satisfied by the applicants as at the date of closure of applications, provided that Where a short- fall has occurred due to any reasons including sick ,maternity or other leave, the doctor concerned should complete such shortfall in order to become eligible to apply for the Selection Examination.

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 2009 and relevant examination documents which are available at the PGIM.
4. The selection examination shall consist of two components i.e.
 - (I) Short Answer Question Paper – 15 Short Answer Questions of 11/2 hrs
 - (II) Viva Voce. – 10 minutesThe content areas from which the questions are based on is described in the prospectus and relevant documents available at the PGIM.
5. The candidates who pass the selection examination by obtaining 50% or above from the total aggregate only shall be considered for enrolment to the course.

6. All candidates from the **State sector / State Universities / Armed Forces (including Police)** 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.
7. **No candidates** from the **non state sector will be selected for the course.**
8. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar shall be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
9. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from Ministry of Health/Universities/ Defense Services 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.
10. 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.
11. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows :-

(a) Registration fee	- Rs. 4,000.00 (non refundable)
(b) Examination fee	- Rs. 11,500.00 (non refundable)
12. Eligible candidates should obtain the prescribed application forms from the Examinations Branch, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine on payment of Rs. 1000/- The applications form also could be download from our website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> on payment of Rs.1000/-
13. 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 envelope should be marked “Application for Selection Examination for Postgraduate Diploma in Hospital Dental Practice” at the top left hand corner. The applications should reach the Senior Asst. Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **15th May 2016. Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
14. The selected candidate should report to the training unit allocated to him/here within one month on receipt of the letter of the selection to the training programme and allocation to the training unit.
15. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical/dental officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
16. Please refer to the new regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical officers of Department of Health in MOH web site - www.health.gov.lk
17. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.

18. 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 Senaka Rajapakse
Deputy Director, PGIM

- c.c 1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition
2. Director General of Health Services.
3. Deputy Director General of Health Services/Dental Services.
4. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
5. Secretary of Board of Study in Dental Surgery
6. Hony. Secretary, College of General Dental Practitioners.
7. Hony. Secretary, Government Dental Surgeons Association.
8. Hony. Secretary, College of Community Dentistry
9. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
10. PGIM Library
11. PGIM Branch Library ,Peradeniya.