

My No. PGIM/EX/10/PgD/Ven (19)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw,
Colombo 7.
22nd March 2019

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

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN VENEREOLOGY EXAMINATION - JUNE 2019

1. The above examination will commence on **Monday 10th June 2019**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - (a) Completion of Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology training course with at least 80% attendance in lectures and in-service clinical training appointments.
 - (b) Obtain satisfactory progress reports from assigned trainers for in service training (MOH and clinical)
 - (c) Please note that candidates are required to submit the Case Books on three Case Studies in consultation with Consultant Venereologist during their training on or before **22nd April 2019** with the assessment fee of Rs. 6, 000.00. **No extension of time will be allowed under any circumstances. A soft copy & Two hard copies** of the case book should be submitted in loose bound form in the first instance to enable the candidate to attend to any corrections and other deficiencies. The case book will undergo a plagiarism check by the PGIM. **Satisfactory completion of the case studies and acceptance of same by the Board of Study is a pre-requisite to sit the Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology examination.**
3. The examination consist of three parts,
 - i. Written Papers -
 - Paper I – Essay Type Questions (3 hours)
 - Paper II – Short Answer Questions (3 hours)
 - ii. Clinical - Two cases (45 minutes/case)
 - iii. OSPE - 20 Stations (2 hours)

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4. Requirements to pass the Pg. Diploma in Venereology Examination;
 - candidate should obtain;
50% or more (500 marks or more) of the total 1000 marks
And
50% or more for written (250 marks)
And
50% or more for clinical cases (150 marks)
And
50% or more for OSPE (100 marks)
5. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
6. Candidates who are eligible to sit the Postgraduate Diploma examinations 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.
7. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the Postgraduate Diploma Examination which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of the 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.
8. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be, as follows:

(a) Application fee	- Rs. 2,500.00 (Non Refundable)
(b) Registration fee	- Rs. 6,000.00 (Non Refundable)
(c) Examination fees	- Rs. 34,500.00
(d) Case Book Assessment fee	- Rs. 6,000.00 (Non Refundable)

(Only online payments through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM)

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on each fee of the PGIM)
9. The application form can be downloaded from the website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>
10. Applications with **every cage duly filled** should be forwarded through the Head of Department. The applications should reach the Senior Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, PGIM. No. 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw, Colombo 7 **on or before 10th May 2019**. The envelope should be marked "Application for Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology Examination" at the top left hand corner **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

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11. Please refer the new regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health web site – www.health.gov.lk
12. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
13. **There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2019.**
14. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University
15. 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.
16. The candidates who pass the Postgraduate Diploma in Venereology Examination and are enrolled for the MD (Venereology) programme should undergo the “Professionalism & Ethics in Medical Practice Strand” organized by the PGIM. Please note that this is compulsory for all MD trainees and should be completed within the first 02 years of Pre MD training. A certificate will be issued to trainees who complete this strand successfully.
17. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updated details.

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Director/ PGIM

- Cc. 1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
2. Director General of Health Services
3. DDGHS/Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
4. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council
5. Secretary of Board of Study in Community Medicine/Venereology
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7. National STD/AIDS Control Programme, Central VD Clinic
8. Director, FHB
9. Director, Health Education Bureau
10. Director, Anti Malaria Campaign
11. Director, National Blood Transfusion Service