

**Circular Letter No. 32 / 2019**

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Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha,  
Colombo 7.  
25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

**MD (OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY) EXAMINATION – JUNE, 2019**

1. The above examination will commence on **10<sup>th</sup> June, 2019**.
2. To be eligible to register for the MD (Otorhinolaryngology) examination, a candidate should produce the following
  - Certificates of satisfactory completion of training, signed by the appointed trainers ;
  - Duly completed log book ;
  - Duly completed Trainee Assessment Forms ;
  - The Case Book prepared as indicated in Annexure II and approved by the Board of Study ;

(The Case Book bound in hard cover with the “*Author’s name*” “*year of degree*” printed in gold on the spine (bottom upwards). The cover should be in black. The front cover should *carry the title, the author’s name in the centre and the year at the bottom(also printed in gold)* and signature of the supervisor.

**Note :-** a) A minimum of 80% attendance at organized lecture courses modules, practicals, field work, and satisfactory completion of prescribed clinical training are requirements to be granted permission to sit examinations.

b) Candidates are required to submit **Professionalism Strand certificate issued by the PGIM**

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 Head & Neck Surgery – 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. Requirements to pass the MD examination. A total mark of 63 or more from all 7 components of the examination and not more than one mark of 8 for any of the 7 components of the examination and no marks of 7 in any of the 7 components of the examination.

5. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.

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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.

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 of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation and Guidelines – 2019” 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. 3,000.00 (non refundable)
(b) Registration fee	- Rs. 6,000.00 (non refundable)
(c) Examination fee	- Rs. 59,000.00
(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on fees stated above.)	

**Only online payments will be accepted by the PGIM**

15. Application forms can be downloaded from our website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk).

16. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha on or before **2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2019.** **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 in MOH website – [www.health.gov.lk](http://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 2019.
19. Please bring the contents of this 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 of 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 PGIM website (<http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>) for further update details.



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- 1 Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
  2. Director General of Health Services.
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  4. Secretary of Board of Study in Otorhinolaryngology
  5. Secretary, College of Physicians of Sri Lanka.
  6. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
  7. PGIM Library
  8. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.