

**Circular Letter No. 039 /2020**

My No.PGIM/EX/12/PGD/GM (20)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha,  
Colombo 7.  
15 May 2020

To : Director/NHSL, Colombo,  
Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,  
Provincial Directors of Health Services,  
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,  
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,  
Sri Jayewardenepura/Rajarata/EUSL/KDU

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN GERIATRIC MEDICINE EXAMINATION**  
**- JULY 2020**

1. The above examination will commence on **29<sup>th</sup> July 2020\***

**\*The date given in the circular is subject to change due to the current Covid-19 situation of the country. You will be given two weeks' time with the notification of actual date of the examination once the normality of the country is restored.**

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

- Submission and of the case book
- Submission and acceptance of the appointment diary
- Attendance of 80% or more in each of the clinical and the taught components.

**Note:** The candidates are required to submit –

- (a) A soft copy and two hard copies of the case book on or before 28<sup>th</sup> May 2020. The case book will undergo a plagiarism check by the PGIM.
- (b) The appointment diary on or before 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

3. The examination shall consist of three (03) components.

- Written examination (MCQ and SBA) – 40% of the total final mark
- Clinical examination – 50% of the total final mark
- Case book assessment – 10% of the total final mark

4. A candidate who obtains **50% or more marks for each component** of the final assessment (written, clinical examination and the case book) will be considered a successful candidate and is eligible to be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Geriatric Medicine.

5. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the Diploma 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 being permitted the sixth attempt.

6. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be as follows:

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| (a) Registration fee             | - Rs. 6,000.00 (non refundable) |
| (b) Application fee              | - Rs. 2,500.00 (non refundable) |
| (c) Examination fees             | - Rs. 34,500.00                 |
| (d) Assessment fee for Case Book | - Rs. 6,000.00 (non refundable) |

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more of the above stated fee)

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

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

8. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, PGIM. No. 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7 on or before **24<sup>th</sup> June 2020**. The envelope should be marked "**Application for the Postgraduate Diploma in Geriatric Medicine**" at the top left hand corner. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

9. Please refer to 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).

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

11. There shall be **no repeat or additional examinations** which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2020.

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

13. 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.



Director  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine  
University of Colombo

Professor Senaka Rajapakse  
Deputy Director / PGIM

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1. Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition
  2. Director General of Health Services.
  3. Registrar, Sri Lanka Medical Council.
  4. Secretary of Specialty Board in Geriatric Medicine.
  5. Hony. Secretary, GMOA.
  6. PGIM Library
  7. PGIM Branch Library, Peradeniya.