

Circular Letter N0 51/2018

My No. PGIM/EX/07/SE/MD/CD (18)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
160, Norris Canal Road,
Colombo 7.
09th May 2018

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,

SELECTION EXAMINATION IN MD (COMMUNITY DENTISTRY) - JULY 2018

01. The above examination will commence on **10th July 2018** at the PGIM.
02. Applications are invited by me from dental surgeons possessing the following requirement to sit the above examination:
 - Successfully completed of MSc (Community Dentistry) Examination.
03. 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 2015 and relevant examination documents are available at the PGIM.
04. The examination shall consist of one written paper and include two structured essay questions. It will be of one hour in the duration.
05. A candidate has to obtain a minimum of 45% marks for each question with an aggregate of 50% in order to qualify the Selection Examination.
06. All successful candidates of the Selection Examination will be eligible to register for the MD training programme in Community Dentistry.
07. There will be only one scheduled selection examination per year. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.
08. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If not, the next unselected qualified candidate in order of merit will be selected. A candidate 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.
09. For all fulltime training programmes fulltime release from the Ministry of Health/ university 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, other government Ministries or Universities.

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10. The relevant information of the training programme, MD Examination requirements for Board Certification is described in the Prospectus 2015 and in other relevant documents. However if amendments have been made following printing of the Prospectus, the circulars with such amendments may be collected from the examination branch office of the PGIM. These circulars will also be handed over to the selected candidates at the commencement of the training programme.
11. All candidates should pass the Pre-Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available at the PGIM for perusal.
12. Following the completion of prescribed requirements for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee should apply 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.
13. The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows: -
 - (a) Registration fee - Rs. 5,000.00 (Non- refundable)
 - (b) Examination fees - Rs. 13,500.00
 - (c) Application fee -Rs. 2000.00 (Non-refundable)

Only Online payments through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.

14. The application form could be downloaded from the website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk
15. 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 in MD (Community Dentistry) July 2018**” at the top left-hand corner. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Norris Canal Road, Colombo 7 on or before **12th June 2018**. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
16. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all dental surgeon concerned in your department/division/faculty.
17. Please refer to the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of dental surgeon of Department of Health in MOH website – www.health.gov.lk
18. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the **Senate of the University**.

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19. 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 the candidate does 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.
20. The candidates who pass the Selection Examination and are selected for the MD programme should undergo a training module on professionalism organized by the PGIM. Please note that this is a compulsory module for all MD trainees and should be completed within first two years of pre MD training. A certificate will be issued to trainees who follow this module.
21. Candidate are requested to visit the PGIM web site for further updated details.

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Director, PGIM

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 2. Director General of Health Services
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 7. Hony. Secretary, Government Dental Surgeons Association
 8. Hony. Secretary, College of Community Physician
 9. Hony. Secretary, College of Community Dentistry
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