

*POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE
ORDINANCE NO. 01 OF 1980*

(INCORPORATING AMENDMENTS UPTO AUGUST, 2014)

THE UNIVERSITIES ACT, NO. 16 OF 1978

ORDINANCE made by the University Grants Commission under section 140 read with section 18 of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978.

Secretary
University Grants Commission

Colombo, 28th March, 1980.

ORDINANCE

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine Ordinance No. 1 of 1980, and shall come into force on 10th April, 1980.

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2. The Postgraduate Institute of Medicine Ordinance, No. 2 of 1979, made by the Commission under section 18 of the Act and published in the Gazette Extraordinary No. 38/2 of May 28th, 1979, is hereby repealed without prejudice to anything already done under the aforesaid Ordinance.

3. Upon the coming into operation of this Ordinance, there shall be established under the provisions thereof an institute to be known as the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine (hereinafter) referred to as the "Institute").

4. The Institute shall be attached to the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (hereinafter) referred to as the "University").

5. Subject to the provisions of the Act, and of any appropriate Instrument and the powers duties and functions of the Commission, the Institute shall have power -

- (a) to admit students;
- (b) to provide for postgraduate instruction, training and research in such specialities in medicine as may be approved by the Commission upon the recommendation of the Institute and the University;
- (c) to determine with the approval of the University and the concurrence of the Commission, the postgraduate degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions to be awarded in the several specialities in medicine ;
- (d) to conduct with the approval the University postgraduate examinations for the purpose of ascertaining the persons who have acquired proficiency in the several specialities in medicine, and to recommend to the University persons,

who, having passed such examinations and having satisfied such other conditions as the University may prescribe by By-laws in consultation with the Institute, are eligible for the award of postgraduate degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions of the University ;

- (e) to co-operate, by way of exchange of teachers, students and scholars or otherwise with Universities or institutions in Sri Lanka or abroad, having objects similar or substantially similar to those of the Institute;
- (f) to recognize examinations passed and the periods of learning or study pursued by persons seeking admission to, or by students of, the Institute at universities and places of learning of university level, as being equivalent to such examinations and periods of learning or study in the Institute, or such part thereof, as may be prescribed by By-law, and to withdraw such recognition at any time ;
- (g) to erect, equip, and maintain for the purpose of the Institute, libraries, laboratories and other buildings whether for instructional, training or research purposes;
- (h) to institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions, bursaries, medals and other prizes ;
- (i) to make arrangements for conducting research and courses or parts of courses in places outside the University and the Institute in accordance with any By-law providing for the same;
- (j) to recognize with the concurrence of the University such persons as may be approved by the Institute, as teachers and examiners of the Institute ;
- (k) to demand and receive fees in accordance with any Rule providing for the same ; and
- (l) to do all such other acts and things, whether incidental to the powers aforesaid or not, as may be necessary in order to further the objects of the Institute.

6. The Officers of the Institute shall be the following :-

- (a) the Director ;
- (b) the Deputy Director; and
- (c) the holder of any other post declared by Ordinance to be a post,

the holder of which is an Officer for the purpose of this paragraph.

7. (1) Upon the coming into operation of this Ordinance, the first Director appointed under sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 7 of the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine Ordinance, No. 2 of 1979, shall, notwithstanding the repeal of that Ordinance, continue to hold office as the first Director of the Institute. He shall, unless he vacates office earlier or is removed from office under sub-paragraph (4), hold such office for the unexpired portion of the period of three years reckoned from the date of his appointment.

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(2) Every subsequent Director shall be appointed by the Commission but from a panel of three persons recommended by the Board of Management of the Institute. Where a member of the staff of a Higher Educational Institution is appointed Director, such Institution shall release such member of the staff so appointed to accept the post of Director. Provided however, that no persons shall be appointed as Director of the Institute for more than two consecutive terms.

(3) Each Director, shall unless he vacates; office earlier or is removed from office under sub-paragraph (4), hold office for a period of three years reckoned from the date of his appointment or until he completes his sixty-fifth year, whichever event; occurs earlier.

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09.05.1996*

(4) A Director shall be removed from office by the Chairman of the Commission on a vote of censure passed by not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Board of Management, at a special meeting convened for the purpose. The members present at such special meeting shall elect from among themselves a person, other than the Director, to preside at such special meeting.

(5) Each Director who resigns or is removed from office may, if he was a member of the staff of a Higher Educational Institution immediately prior to his appointment as Director, revert to his substantive post in such Higher Educational Institution, provided that he has not completed his sixty-fifth year.

(6) If the Director, by reason of leave, illness, absence from Sri Lanka, or other cause is temporarily unable to perform the duties of his office, the Deputy Director shall perform such duties. In the absence of both the Director and the Deputy Director the Commission shall, within seven days of the occurrence of such inability make such arrangements as it may think fit for carrying on the duties of the office of the Director. Until such arrangements are made the Registrar of the University shall carry on the routine duties of the office.

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(7) If a vacancy occurs in the office of Director, the Deputy

Director shall perform such duties of the office of the Director until a permanent appointment is made under the preceding provisions of this paragraph. Where the Deputy Director is unable to perform the duties of the post of Director, the Commission shall, within seven days of the occurrence of such inability, make such arrangements as it may think fit for carrying on the duties of the office of the Director until a permanent appointment is made. Until such arrangements are made the Registrar of the University shall carry on the routine duties of the office.

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8 A. (1) The Director shall be the principal executive officer and the principal academic officer of the Institute. He shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Management and an ex-officio member of each Board of Study. He shall be entitled to convene, be present and speak at any meeting of any other Authority or body of the Institute but shall not be entitled to vote at any such meeting unless he is a member of such other Authority or body.

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(2) It shall be the duty of the Director, in accordance with such directions as may from time to time be lawfully issued to him in that behalf by the Board of Management, to ensure that the provisions of the Act and of any appropriate Instrument in so far as they relate to the institute, are duly observed, and he shall have and may exercise all such powers as he may deem necessary for the purpose.

(3) It shall be the duty of the Director to give effect, or to ensure that effect is given, to the decisions of the Board of Management and of each Board of Study.

(4) The Director shall be the Accounting officer of the Institute.

(5) The Director shall be responsible for the maintenance of discipline within the Institute.

8B. (1) The Deputy Director shall be appointed by the University Council on the recommendation of the Board of Management based on the submissions made by a selection committee and shall be a full-time officer of the Institute.

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(2) The Deputy Director shall, unless he vacates office earlier or is removed from office under subparagraph (3), hold office for a period of three years reckoned from the date of his appointment or until he completes his sixty-fifth year, whichever occurs earlier. No person shall be appointed as Deputy Director for more than two consecutive terms.

(3) The Deputy Director shall be removed from office by the Council on a vote of censure passed by not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Board of Management at a special meeting

convened for the purpose.

(4) The Deputy Director shall be an ex-officio member of the Board of Management, an ex-officio member of each of the Boards of Study and an ex-officio member of each of the Speciality Boards. He shall also be an ex-officio member of each standing committee and any other committee appointed by the Board of Management.

(5) The duties and functions of the Deputy Director shall be determined by the Board of Management in consultation with the Director and shall be performed under the direction and control of the Director.

9. The Authorities of the Institute shall be the following :-

- (a) the Board of Management ;
- (b) the Board or the Boards of Study ; and
- (c) such other bodies as may be prescribed by Ordinance to be such Authorities.

10. The Board of Management (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") shall be the academic and executive body of the Institute, and shall consist of the following persons :-

(1) The following ex-officio members namely:-

- (a) the Director ;
- (b) the Deputy Director;
- (c) the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Higher Education or the nominee of such Secretary;
- (d) the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Health or the nominee of such Secretary;
- (e) the Secretary to the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance or the nominee of such Secretary ;
- (f) the Director-General of Health Services (hereinafter referred to as "Director-General");
- (g) the Immediate Past Director of the Institute;
- (h) Deans of all Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act;
- (i) Deans of all Faculties of Dental Science of the Universities established under the Act,;"
- (j) the Deputy Director General of Health Services in charge of the subject of Medical Services;
- (k) the Deputy Director General of Health Services in charge of the subject of Dental Services; and

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- (1) The Deputy Director General of Health Services in charge of the subject of Education, Training and Research;
- (2) the following other members, namely -
 - (a) one member each from the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities, established under the Act, elected by the Faculty Board of each of such Faculty from among the Heads of Departments of each Faculty ;
 - (b) one member each from of the Faculties of Dental Science of the Universities, established under the Act, elected by the Faculty Board of each Faculty, from among the Heads of Departments of each Faculty ;
 - (c) seven members appointed by the Commission from among persons who have rendered a distinguished service in educational, professional, legal, scientific or administrative spheres;

provided that at least three members so appointed shall be from among the members of the medical profession; and
 - (d) two members nominated by the University Council from among the members of the Council.
- (3) The Board may co-opt any person for a specific purpose and for a specified period, but no person so co-opted shall have the right to stand for election or vote at any meeting.

11. (1) The Chairman of the Board shall be elected by the members thereof from among their number and shall preside at all meetings of the Board. If the Chairman is unable to preside at a meeting, the members shall elect any member present to preside at such meeting.

(2) The Chairman shall hold office as such for a period of one year reckoned from the date of his election and shall be eligible for re-election.

(3) Any appointed or elected member shall, unless he vacates office earlier, hold office for a term of three years reckoned from the date of his election or appointment, as the case may be, and shall, unless removed from office, be eligible for re-election or re-appointment:

Provided, however, that if any elected or appointed member vacates his office prior to the expiry of his term, his successor shall, unless he vacates his office earlier, hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of his predecessor :

Provided further that each elected member shall hold office so long however only as he retains the status or membership by virtue of which he was eligible for election as a member of the Board.

(4) Any elected member of the Board may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Director.

(5) An appointed member of the Board may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the chairman of the Commission.

(6) Any elected or appointed member of the Board who without leave of absence fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board, shall be deemed to have vacated his office as a member of the Board and the Commission shall appoint a fit person to fill the resulting vacancy.

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379/9 of 1985*

(7) The members of the Board shall be paid such remuneration or allowances as the Minister shall in consultation with the Minister in charge of the subject of Finance, determine.

(8) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one-third of its total membership.

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(9) The Board shall meet whenever necessary, so however that it meets on not less than eight occasions in each year.

(10) The Director shall whenever he thinks necessary or within one week upon the receipt by him of a written requisition from not less than one-third of the total membership of the Board, convene a special meeting of the Board.

12. (1) Subject to the provision of the Act and of any appropriate Instrument, the Board shall exercise the powers and perform and discharge the duties and functions conferred or imposed on, or assigned to, the Institute by this Ordinance.

(2) Subject to the provisions of the Act and of any appropriate Instrument, the Board shall have control and general direction of instruction, education, research and examinations in the Institute.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred upon it by sub-paragraphs (1) and (2), the Board shall exercise, perform and discharge the following powers, duties and functions –

(a) to hold, control and administer the property and funds of the Institute ;

- (b) to regulate and to determine all matters concerning the Institute in accordance with the Provisions of the Act and of any appropriate Instrument ;
- (c) to administer any funds placed at the disposal of the Institute for specific purposes ;
- (d) to receive and accept with the concurrence of the Commission, bequests donations and other grants of property to the Institute ;
- (e) to consider the annual report and the annual accounts of the Institute and to submit such report and such accounts to the University and the Commission ;
- (f) to prepare the financial estimates of the Institute and to submit such estimates to the University and the Commission;
- (g) to recommend to the University, in consultation with the Board or Boards of Study concerned, the postgraduate degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions which shall be awarded in the several specialities in medicine, and the courses of study and training to be followed, the examinations to be passed and the other conditions to be satisfied by students who wish to qualify for such degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions ;
- (h) to draft By-laws for any matter in respect of which By-laws are authorised to be made and to submit such drafts to the Council of the University for enactment :

Provided, however, that no By-law relating to courses of study and examinations shall be drafted except after consideration of reports from the Board or Boards of Study concerned ;

- (i) to draft, after consideration of reports from the Board or Boards of Study concerned, Regulations relating to courses of study and examinations, and to submit such drafts to the Senate of the University for enactment ;
- (j) to draft Rules for any matter in respect of which Rules are authorised to be made or may be made and to submit such drafts to the Council or the Senate as the case may be, of the University for enactment ;

- (k) to provide buildings, premises, furniture, equipment and other materials needed for carrying on the work of the Institute ;
- (l) to recommend to the Council of the University in consultation with the Board or Boards of Study concerned, such persons as are suitable for recognition as teachers and examiners of the Institute ;
- (m) to recommend to the Commission, after consideration of reports from the Board or Boards of Study concerned and with the approval of the University -
 - (i) schemes for the re-organization of existing Boards of Study and the organization of new Boards of Study ; and
 - (ii) the assignment of specialities in medicine to the respective Boards of Study ;
- (n) to appoint such number of Standing Committees or ad hoc Committees as it may deem fit, and to specify their terms of reference; to consider their reports and to either approve such reports, whether with or without modification, or to reject such reports ;
- (o) to determine, in consultation with the Board or Boards of Study concerned and the concurrence of the University, the requirements for the admission of students to courses of study ;
- (p) to invest any moneys belonging to the Institute including any unapplied income, in any Security in which under the provisions of section 20 of the Trusts Ordinance or any other written law, it is lawful to invest Trust moneys or with the approval of the Commission to invest any such moneys in the purchase of immovable property in Sri Lanka or vary such investments or to place in fixed deposit in any bank approved by the Commission, any portion of such moneys not required for immediate expenditure ; and
- (q) to exercise all other powers of the Institute, the exercise of which is not otherwise provided for in this Ordinance or any other appropriate Instrument ;

Provided that no resolution shall be passed by the Board in relation to any academic matter unless the appropriate Board of Study has first been given an opportunity of

recording and transmitting its opinion thereon to the Board;

Provided further that no resolution so passed shall be acted upon except with the concurrence of the University.

In this paragraph, "academic matter" means any matter which is subject to the control and general direction of the appropriate Board of Study.

13. (1) Board shall establish a Board of Study or a Speciality Board in respect of each of the following specialities in medicine, and for each other speciality in medicine approved by the Commission upon the recommendation of the Board of Management and the University:-

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| (a) Anaesthesiology | (t) Parasitology |
| (b) Community Medicine | (u) Anatomy |
| (c) Dental Surgery | (v) Basic & Medical Sciences |
| (d) Family Medicine and General Practice | (w) Bio-Medical Informatics |
| (e) Medicine | (x) Clinical Pharmacology |
| (f) Obstetrics and Gynaecology | (y) Critical Care |
| | (z) Health Sector Disaster Management |
| (g) Ophthalmology | (aa) Emergency Medicine |
| (h) Pathology | (ab) Geriatric Medicine |
| (i) Paediatrics | (ac) Medical Education |
| (j) Psychiatry | (ad) Medical Mycology |
| (k) Radiology | (ae) Medical Toxicology |
| (l) Surgery | (af) Medical Virology |
| (m) Forensic Medicine | (ag) Molecular Medicine |
| (n) Microbiology | (ah) Multidisciplinary Studies |
| (o) Otolaryngology | (ai) Physiology |
| (p) Radiotherapy and Oncology | (aj) Sports Medicine |
| (q) Medical Administration | |
| (r) Dermatology | |
| (s) Venereology | |

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(2) in instances where the designated number of members cannot be appointed to a Board of Study or a Speciality Board due to any valid reason, the Board shall have the power to appoint qualified persons to fill such vacancies.

(3) the Board shall have the power to dissolve Boards of Study or Speciality Boards on a vote of censure passed by not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Board.

14. (1) Where a Board of Study has been established in respect of a

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speciality for which one or more than one University in Sri Lanka has established a Department of Study, such Board of Study shall consist of the following persons:-

- (a) the Director ;
- (b) the Deputy Director;
- (c) a Senior Professor, Professor (Chair), Professor, Associate Professor, Head or a Senior Lecturer of the Department of Study of each Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act nominated by the Dean of the Faculty in that order;
- (d)
 - (i) Three members from the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act, elected from among the Senior Professors, Professors (Chair), Professors, Associate Professors, Heads and Senior Lecturers of such Faculties at the meeting chaired by the Director except in the speciality of Microbiology;
 - (ii) in respect of the speciality of Microbiology,
 - (a) a Senior Professor, Professor (Chair), Professor, Associate Professor, Head or Senior Lecturer from each Department of Parasitology of the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act, nominated by the Dean of the Faculty in that order on the recommendation of the relevant Department of Study;
 - (b) three members to be elected from among the Senior Professors, Professors (Chair), Professors, Associate Professors, Heads and Senior Lecturers in the speciality of Parasitology from the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities established

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under the Act;

- (iii) in respect of the speciality of Community Medicine, a Senior Professor, Professor (Chair), Professor, Associate Professor, Head or Senior Lecturer of the Division of Community Dentistry in the Department of Community Dental Health from each of the Faculties of Dental Science of the Universities established under the Act, nominated by the Dean in that order.
- (e) (i) other than representatives from the specialties of Community Medicine, Family Medicine and General Practice-
 - (a) Three representatives from the main training centre;
 - (b) One representative from each of the following training centres :-
 - (i) Colombo South Teaching Hospital;
 - (ii) Colombo North Teaching Hospital;
 - (iii) Sri Jayawardenepura General Hospital;
 - (iv) Teaching Hospital, Kandy;
 - (v) Teaching Hospital, Galle;
 - (vi) Teaching Hospital, Jaffna;
 - (vii) Teaching Hospital, Batticaloa; and
 - (viii) Teaching Hospital, Anuradhapura;
- (ii) in respect of the speciality of Microbiology, one additional representative from the National Hospital of Sri Lanka in addition to the representatives nominated by the Director General under sub-paragraph (1)(e)(i) of this paragraph and,
 - (a) a representative from the National Sexually transmitted Diseases and Acquired Immunity Deficiency Syndrome Control programme (NSACP);
 - (b) a representative from the National Programme of Tuberculosis and Chest Diseases (NPTCD);

- (c) a representative from the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children;
 - (d) a representative from the Cancer Institute Maharagama.
- (iii) in respect of the speciality of Community Medicine not more than ten representatives nominated by the Director-General on a rotational basis from each of the recognized training centres and the members to be so nominated may be based on the fulfillment of the eligibility criteria as specified by the Board on the recommendation of the Board of Study in Community Medicine;
- (iv) in respect of the speciality of Family Medicine and General Practice:-
- (a) nine trainers from the training units who are less than sixty five (65) years of age elected at a meeting of all eligible trainers chaired by the Director of the Institute;
 - (b) one member each from the Faculties of Medicine or Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences and Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act to be nominated by the Dean on the recommendation of a Department of Study from among the Senior Professors, Professors (Chair), Professors, Associate Professors, Heads and Senior Lecturers who conduct lectures and contribute for other academic activities of training in Family Medicine;
- (v) in respect of the speciality of Forensic Medicine, ten specialists to be nominated by the Director-General from among the Specialists who are employed, in the Judicial Medial Offices, institutes, training centres who fulfill the stipulated criteria to be satisfied by the specialists under sub-paragraph (3) of this paragraph to become eligible to be members of the Board of

Study.

(vi) in respect of the speciality of Obstetrics and Gynaecology -

(a) one representative in the case of one or two training units or two representatives in the case of three or four units or three representatives in the case of five or six units to be nominated by the Director-General from among the consultant Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the De Socysa Maternity Hospital, Colombo;

(b) one representative in the case of one or two training units or two representatives in the case of three or four units of three representatives in the case of five or six units to be nominated by the Director-General from among the Consultant Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of the Castle Street Hospital for women, Colombo;

(vii) in respect of the speciality of Pathology a Consultant Hematologist nominated by the Director-General from the Cancer Institute, Maharagama, in addition to the number specified under sub paragraph (1) (e), (i), (b).

(f) (i) two members who are trainers other than in Family Medicine nominated by the President of the relevant professional body of whom -

(a) one member shall be from the Ministry of Health; and

(b) one member from the staff of Universities established under the Act.

(ii) two members who are trainers nominated by the professional body of Family Medicine and General Practice.

(2) Where a Board of Study has been established in respect of a speciality for which no University in Sri Lanka has established a Department of Study, such Board of Study shall, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (3), consist of the following persons :

- (a) The Director ;
- (b) The Deputy Director;
- (c) One member elected from among the Senior Professors, Professors, Associate Professors and Senior Lecturers from each of the Faculties of Medicine or Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Science and Health Care Sciences of the Universities established under the Act;
- (d) (i) except in the specialities of Radiology, Pathology, Clinical Oncology and Medical Administration-

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- (a) three representatives from the main training centre;
 - (b) one representative from each of the following training centers:-
 - (i) Colombo South Teaching Hospital;
 - (ii) Colombo North Teaching Hospital;
 - (iii) Sri Jayawardenepura General Hospital;
 - (iv) Teaching Hospital, Kandy;
 - (v) Teaching Hospital, Galle;
 - (vi) Teaching Hospital, Jaffna;
 - (vii) Teaching Hospital, Batticaloa;
 - (viii) Teaching Hospital, Anuradhapura.
 - (ii) in respect of the speciality of Radiology, an additional representative from the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children, in addition to the representatives under sub-paragraph (2) (d) (i);
 - (iii) in respect of the speciality of Clinical Oncology twelve representatives in the following manner nominated by the Director-General :-
 - (a) nine from the training centres referred to in subparagraph (2) (d) (i), of whom at least, three shall be from the main training centre viz, the Cancer Institute, Maharagama;
 - (b) two Clinical Oncologists one each from

the General Hospitals of Anuradhapura and Badulla;

- (c) one Clinical Oncologist from the private sector to be nominated by the Board;
 - (iv) in respect of the speciality of Venereology nine representatives nominated by the Director General from the training Centres referred to in sub-paragraph (1) (e) (i) of this paragraph, of whom at least three shall be from the following centres :-
 - (a) the Cancer Institute, Maharagama, and
 - (b) the Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinic (hereinafter referred to as the "STD" Clinic).
 - (v) in respect of the speciality of Dermatology, a Consultant Dermatologist of the Lady Ridgeway Hospital for Children nominated by the Director General;
 - (vi) in respect of the speciality of Medical Administration, nine representative from training units nominated by the Director General;
- (3) (a) All such members of the Board of Study referred to in sub-paragraph (1) and (2) shall be trainers. A trainer shall be a person having three years experience after Board certification or equivalent qualifications, who shall be in active service in the case of Universities established under the Act and the Ministry of Health; and in the case of Family Medicine and General Practice who is less than sixty five (65) years of age, in the relevant field determined by the Board on the recommendations of the relevant Board of Study.
- (b) nominees of an academic department in a Board of study shall be selected by the respective Deans of Faculties of Universities established under the Act in consultation with academic staff members and forwarded to the Director of Institute;
- (c) In instances where a specialist is to be selected from a training Centre or Unit a meeting, chaired by the Director or Head of the Centre or Unit respectively, shall be held with specialists who satisfy the requirements stipulated in subparagraph(3) (a) of this paragraph. The Director of the Institute shall be informed of the names of such selected specialist by the

Director-General or Director of the Hospital or Head of the Institute on behalf of the Director-General;

(3A) where the Board of Study has been established in respect of the speciality of Dental Surgery, such Board of Study shall consist of the following persons :-

- (a) Director;
- (b) Deputy Director;
- (c) A Senior Professor, Professor (Chair), Professor, Associate Professor, Head or Senior Lecturer of the Divisions of the following disciplines nominated by the Deans of Faculties of Dental Sciences of Universities established under the Act, on the recommendation of the relevant Division of study :-
 - (i) Oral Surgery ;
 - (ii) Oral Medicine;
 - (iii) Oral Pathology;
 - (iv) Restorative Dentistry;
 - (v) Prosthetic Dentistry;
 - (vi) Community Dentistry;
 - (vii) Orthodontics;
 - (viii) Paedodontics;
 - (ix) Periodontology;
 - (x) Basic Sciences;
- (d) ten Specialists to be nominated by the Director-General from among the consultants of the Ministry of Health of whom –
 - (i) three specialists shall be from the Dental Institute, Colombo group of Hospitals representing one each from specialties of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Orthodontics and Restorative Dentistry;
 - (ii) A specialist from the Cancer Institute, Maharagama;
 - (iii) Four specialists from the Teaching Hospitals;
 - (iv) Two specialists from the General or Base Hospitals.
- (e) Three members who are trainers from the College of Dentistry and Stomatology of Sri Lanka;
- (f) One member from the College of General Dental Practitioners, Sri Lanka;

Provided however, specialists representing a University or

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training centre of the Ministry of Health shall hold office so long as such member holds office by virtue of which they became eligible to be members of the Board of Study in Dental Surgery and cease to be a member on such member leaving the University or centre or on his retirement.

(3B) The Board shall establish a Board of Study in respect of the speciality of Sports Medicine which shall consist of the following persons:-

- (a) Director;
- (b) Deputy Director;
- (c) Four members to be nominated by the Sri Lanka Sports Medicine Association from its membership;
- (d) Head of the Sports Medicine Unit of the Ministry of the Minister in charge of the subject of Sports;
- (e) one member each from the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities, established under the Act and selected or elected by the Faculty Board of each of such Faculty from among Senior Professors, Professors (Chair), Professors, Associate Professors and Senior Lecturers of such Faculties with a knowledge of the subject;
- (f) one member each from the Faculties of Dental Sciences of the Universities, established under the Act and selected or elected by the Faculty Board of each of such Faculty from among Senior Professors, Professors (Chair), Professors, Associate Professors and Senior Lecturers of such Faculty with a knowledge of the subject;
- (g) five representatives from among the Consultants of Sports Medicine of the Ministry of Health to be nominated by the Director General;
- (h) Head of Physical Education of the Ministry of Education; and
- (i) two members nominated by the Board from among persons who have rendered distinguished services in the fields relevant to the speciality of Sports Medicine.

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3(c) The Board shall establish a Board of Study in Multidisciplinary Study Courses which shall consist of the following persons:-

- (a) Director;
- (b) Deputy Director;
- (c) one member each from the Boards of Study in Anaesthesiology, Medicine, Paediatrics, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology representing the academic departments of the Universities nominated by the respective Board of Study;
- (d) one member each from the Boards of Study in Anesthesiology, Medicine, Paediatrics, Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynaecology representing the training units of the Teaching Hospitals nominated by the respective Board of Study;
- (e) A nominee each from the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of Universities established under the Act, to be selected or elected by the Faculty Board;
- (f) Chairperson of the relevant Speciality Board constituted as per paragraph 15(3C);
- (g) three members nominated by the Board from among the Senior Academics or Consultants of high caliber who serve or have served in the health related public or private sector institutions.
- (h) Members co-opted depending on the needs of the courses of study or training programmes as recommended by the Board of Study in Multi-Disciplinary Study Courses for a specific purpose.

3(D) The Board shall establish a Board of Study in Basic and Medical Sciences which shall consist of the following persons;

- (a) Director;
- (b) Deputy Director;
- (c) A Senior Professor, Professor, Associate Professor or Senior Lecturer of each of the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities, established under the Act with the knowledge of the subject nominated by the

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Dean of the Faculty in that order;

- (d) A Senior Professor, Professor(Chair), Professor, Associate Professor, Head or Senior Lecturer, of the relevant Academic Department from each of the Faculties of Medicine, Medical Sciences, Medical and Allied Sciences, Health Care Sciences of the Universities, established under the Act nominated by the Dean of the Faculty in that order ;
- (e) Chairperson of the relevant Speciality Board to be constituted as per subparagraph (3C) (d) of this paragraph;
- (f) three members to be appointed by the Board representing the university academics, with the knowledge of the subject or health related institutions in a related discipline;
- (g) two members each from the respective Professional Body, Association, Society related to the Specialities of Basic and Medical Sciences;

(4) Any Board of Study may, with the concurrence of the Board of Management, co-opt one or more than one person for a specific purpose and for a specified period but no person so co-opted shall have the right to stand for election or to vote at any meeting of such Board of Study.

(5) (a) Any member of a Board of Study shall, unless he vacates office earlier, hold office for a term of three years reckoned from the date of his election or appointment and be eligible for re-election or re-appointment.

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Provided however, that if any elected or appointed member vacates his office prior to the expiry of his term, his successor shall, unless he vacates his office earlier, hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of his predecessor;

Provided further, that each elected or appointed member shall hold office so long as he retains the status or membership by virtue of which he was eligible for election or appointment as a member of the Board and shall cease to be a member on resignation, retirement or transfer from the training Unit, Centre, University, Faculty or Department of Study. In the case of Family Medicine shall cease to be a member on reaching the age of sixty five (65) years.

(b) Any member of a Board of Study may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Director.

(c) Any elected or appointed member of a Board of Study who without leave of absence fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board, shall be deemed to have vacated his office as a member of the Board and the Director shall take such action to appoint a fit person to fill the resulting vacancy.

(6) Each Board of Study shall have a Chairman who shall be elected by that Board of Study from among its members.

(7) (a) Each Board of Study shall have a Secretary who shall be a member of the Board of Study appointed by the Board upon the recommendation of the appropriate Board of Study;

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(b) the term of office of the Secretary shall be the term of office of the Board of Study;

(8) (a) The quorum for a meeting of any Board of Study constituted under subparagraph (1) shall be one fourth of the membership, excluding the co-opted members, if any.

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(b) The quorum for a meeting of any Board of Study constituted under subparagraph (2) shall be one fourth of the total membership excluding the co-opted members, if any.

(9) Each Board of Study shall meet whenever necessary, so however that it meets on not less than ten occasions in each year.

15.(1) Subject to the provisions of the Act and of any appropriate Instrument, each Board of Study shall have control and general instruction, education, research and examinations in respect of the speciality in, Medicine concerned.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the powers conferred upon it by sub-paragraph (1), each Board of study shall exercise, perform and discharge the following powers, duties and functions in respect of the speciality in medicine concerned:-

(3) With the approval of the relevant Board of Study and Board shall establish Speciality Boards in respect of general or sub-specialities;

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(a) each Speciality Board shall function under the general directions of a relevant Board of Study established by the Board in respect of specialities in Medicine;

(b) where a Speciality Board has been established in respect of a general or sub-speciality in which instruction, education, training and evaluation are carried out under the general direction of a relevant Board of Study, such

Specialilty Board shall consist of ten nominated members as follows:-

- (i) Director;
- (ii) Deputy Director;
- (iii) eight members to be nominated by the relevant Board of Study approved by the Board of whom five members shall be specialist possessing more than five years of post board certification experience in the relevant field and three members shall be specialists possessing three to five years of post board certification experience in the relevant field;

Provided that of the eight members referred to above, seven shall be nominated from among those who are being, or had been employed in any of the Universities in Sri Lanka established under the Act, or the Ministry of Health or armed forces or health related public institutions and one shall be from a health related private sector Institution;

- (iv) two members to be nominated by the Board from among the specialists with more than five years post board certification experience in the relevant fields;
- (c) each Speciality Board shall have a Chairman and Secretary who shall be elected by the members of a Speciality Board from among its membership;
- (d) quorum for a meeting of a Speciality Board shall be one fourth of the total membership excluding the co-opted members, if any;
- (e) tenure of office of a Speciality Board shall expire on the date of expiry of the tenure of office of the Board Study;
- (f) each Speciality Board shall hold a minimum of six meetings per year;
- (g) each Speciality Board may recommend co-opting of specialist for a specific purpose and for a specified period and no person so co-opted shall have the right to stand for election or vote at any meeting of the Speciality Board; and

- (h) in instances, where a member of a Speciality Board who is not a member of a relevant Board of Study concerned is assigned to present matters pertaining to the Speciality Board at a meeting of the relevant Board of Study such nominee shall be deemed to have been duly co-opted for that specific presentation and on completion of such presentation he ceases to be a co-opted member.

- (4) Subject to the provisions of the Act, Ordinance or any appropriate instrument and the general directions and control of the Board of Study each Speciality Board shall perform and discharge the following functions:-

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- (a) submit recommendations and report to the relevant Board of Study on all matters connected with courses of study, training programmes, curricula and examinations in relation to a general or sub-speciality;
- (b) recommend the appointment of sub-committees, when relevant, which may include persons other than members of the Specialty Board for the purpose of considering and reporting on a special subject related to the speciality, if any;
- (c) recommend to the Board of Study the requirements for admission of trainees to courses of study, training programmes and examinations;
- (d) submit to the Board of Study draft regulations relating to courses of study and examinations;
- (e) recommend to the Board of Study such persons as are suitable for recognition as teachers and examiners in conformity with the general rules and regulations governing such functions; and
- (f) shall report on matters being referred to the Speciality Board by the Board of Study concerned or the Board.

16. The financial year of the Institute shall be the same as the financial year of the Government.

17. (1) The Institute shall have a fund to be called the Postgraduate Institute of Medicine Fund (hereinafter referred to as the "Fund "), into which shall be paid -

- (a) fees to be paid to the Institute in accordance with the provisions of any appropriate Instrument ;
- (b) income from endowments;
- (c) moneys provided by Parliament and disbursed by the Commission as grants in aid of the Institute ; and
- (d) all other moneys belonging to the Institute from whatever source derived.

(2) A summary of all sums of money paid to the Fund within the course of a particular month, classified under the appropriate heads of revenue, shall before the end of the next ensuing month be submitted by the Director to the Commission for its information.

18. It shall be the duty of the Director -

- (a) to keep the accounts of the Institute in such form and manner as may be prescribed by Ordinance;
- (b) to receive all moneys paid into the Fund and to credit such moneys to the proper heads of accounts;
- (c) to make all authorized payments; and
- (d) to prepare for the Board of Management such triennial estimates as are required by the Commission and the annual financial appropriations of the ensuing year :

Provided, however, that income derived from grants made for specific purposes or from endowments for specific objects, shall be separately accounted for in the accounts of the Institute, and that no payment shall be made from such income for the general purposes of the Institute or for any purpose or object other than for which such grants or endowments were respectively made.

19. (1) The Institute shall prepare an annual statement of accounts, and statistics relating to its activities in such form and manner and containing such particulars as the Commission may from time to time specify.

(2) The books of accounts of the Institute shall be in the office of the Institute.

20. Such provisions of Part XIII of the Act as are relevant to the auditing of the accounts of a Higher Educational Institution shall,

mutatis mutandis, apply to and in relation to the auditing of the accounts of the Institute.

21. (1) The staff of the Institute shall consist of such officers and other employees as it may with the concurrence of the University and the approval of the Commission deem necessary for the efficient exercise, performance and discharge of the powers, duties and functions of the Institute.

(2) The staff of the Institute shall be provided on release by the University from among its own staff or be appointed by the Commission or the University, as the case may be. The provisions of the Part X of the Act shall, *mutatis mutandis*, apply to and in relation to appointments to the staff of the Institute.

(3) Where the services of an officer or other employee of the University have been provided to the Institute on a full-time basis, the Institute shall pay him the salary and the allowances of his substantive post in the University. In any other case, the Institute may pay the officer or other employee concerned, such allowance as it may determine in consultation with the University and the approval of the Commission.

(4) The staff of the Institute shall be subject to the direction and the disciplinary control of the Director.

22. If any question arises as to whether any person has been duly elected, appointed, nominated or co-opted as, or as to whether any person is entitled to be, a member of any Authority or other body of the Institute, such question shall be referred to the Commission, whose decision thereon shall be final.

23. No act, resolution or proceeding of any Authority or other body of the Institute, shall be invalidated merely by reason of the existence of a vacancy or of vacancies among its members or any defects in the appointment of such member.

24. Upon the coming into operation of this Ordinance, the power to grant and to confer postgraduate degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions in the several specialities in medicine shall be vested solely in the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka;

Provided, however -

(1) that the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, shall grant and confer such degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions only upon the recommendation of the Institute.

(2) that any University established or deemed to be established

under the Act, may grant and confer such degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions in any speciality in medicine in respect of which no Board of Study has been established by the Institute under the provisions of paragraph 18;

(3) that any University established or deemed to be established under the Act, may grant and confer postgraduate degrees based wholly or partly upon research in any speciality in medicine, whether or not a Board of Study in respect of such speciality has been established by the Institute under the provisions of paragraph 13; and ;

(4) that academic distinctions in the specialities in medicine may be granted by professional bodies by arrangement with the Institute and the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, and the concurrence of the Commission.

25. In this Ordinance -

“Act” means the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978;

“appropriate Instrument” means any Order, Ordinance, Statute, By-law, Regulation or Rule made in accordance with the provisions of the Act;

“Commission” means the University Grants Commission established under the Act;

“Professional body” means an association, college or other body of persons in any speciality in medicine either incorporated by an Act of Parliament or recognized as such by the Board of Management of the Institute ; and

“Speciality in Medicine” means Anaesthesiology, Anatomy, Basic and Medical Sciences, Bio-Medical Informatics, Clinical Oncology, Clinical Pharmacology, Community Medicine, Critical Care, Dental Surgery, Dermatology, Health Sector Disaster Management, Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine and General Practice, Forensic Medicine, Geriatric Medicine, Health Sciences, Medicine, Medical Administration, Medical Education, Medical Mycology, Medical Toxicology, Medical Virology, Microbiology, Molecular Medicine, Multi Disciplinary Studies, Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Ophthalmology, Otorhinolaryngology, Paediatrics, Parasitology, Pathology, Physiology, Psychiatry, Radiology, Sports Medicine, Surgery, Venereology or any other speciality approved by the Commission upon the recommendation of the Institute and the University for time to time.

“the main training centre” means a training centre which has been designated as the leading training until or centre that provides

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instructions, training in a speciality specified by the Board on the recommendation of the Board of Study concerned, with reasonable notice but without prejudice to any existing membership of a Board of Study.