Circular Letter No. 21.../2019

My No.PGIM/EX/12/PGD/Eld.Med (19) Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7. 5 March 2019

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 ELDERLY MEDICINE EXAMINATION - JULY 2019

- 1. The above examination will commence on 24th July 2019.
- 2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - Submission and acceptance 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 22nd April 2019. The case book will undergo a plagiarism check by the PGIM.
- (b) The appointment diary on or before 21st May 2019.
- 3. The examination shall consists of three (03) components.
 - Written examination (MCQ and SEQ) 50% of the overall mark
 - Clinical Viva 30% of the overall mark
 - Case book assessment 20% of the overall mark
- 4. A candidate who obtains 50% or more marks for each component of the final assessment (written, clinical viva and the case book) will be considered a successful candidate and is eligible to be awarded the Postgraduate Diploma in Elderly 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:

(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 on each fee of the PGIM)

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

- 7. The application form can be downloaded from the website 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 20th June 2019. The envelope should be marked "Application for the Postgraduate Diploma in Elderly 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.
- 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 2019.
- 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.

Professor Senaka Rajapakse Deputy Director / PGIM

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