

Circular Letter No. 40 / 2019

My No. PGIM/EX/13/PDTCD ('19)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine
160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw,
Colombo 7
10th April 2019

To: Director/ NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/ MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Chest Hospital, Welisara,
Central Chest Clinic, MRI,
Chest Clinic, Kalutara, Nagoda,
Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jaffna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya,
Sri Jayewardenepura,

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TUBERCULOSIS & CHEST DISEASES EXAMINATION
JUNE 2019 (2016 PROSPECTUS)

1. The above examination will commence on **19th June 2019**. The examination will be held in Colombo.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination:
 - a) Obtained 50% or more for the case book.
 - b) Obtained 150 / 300 (50%) or more as the aggregate mark from all three continuous assessments.
 - c) Submitted the completed log book, duly signed by the supervisor.
 - d) Obtain more than 80% attendance during the one-year training program.
 - (e) A satisfactory report of completion of the training programme certified by the Trainer/ Supervisor.

Note :-

Those who are eligible in terms of the above requirements should submit with the application, the "Log Book" which provides evidence of their successful completion of the said training. The signature of the relevant Consultant trainers should be obtained before submission of the Log Book.

3. The examination will consist of 02 assessments.

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(i) In-course Assessment

Three in-course assessments will be held during the one-year period to assess progress of trainees at each assessment the candidate would be marked out of 100 marks. The average mark (out of 100) from all three assessments will be taken forward to be included to the total marks at the final examination.

(ii) Final Assessment

The final examination would comprise of written and clinical examination.

4. A candidate has to obtain a final overall mark of 50% or more and a mark of 50% or more in the clinical component to pass the examination.
5. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library.
6. Candidates who are eligible to sit the Postgraduate Diploma 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 examinations for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study, the examinations will be counted as attempts.
7. Please note that **candidates are allowed 6 attempts only in the Postgraduate Diploma 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 prescribed fees for the Examination shall be as follows:-
 - (a) Application fee - Rs. 2,500.00 (Non Refundable)
 - (b) Registration fee - Rs. 6,000.00 (Non Refundable)
 - (c) Examination fee - Rs. 34,500.00(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on fees stated above.)

Only online payments will be accepted by the PGIM

9. The Application form could be download from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk
10. Applications with every cage duly filled should be forwarded to the Senior Assistant Registrar/Examinations, PGIM, 160, Prof. Nandadasa Kodagoda Mw, Colombo 7 on or before **22nd May 2019**. The envelope should be marked as **“Application for Postgraduate Diploma in Tuberculosis & Chest Diseases Examination”** at the top left-hand corner. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

11. 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.
12. Please bring the contents of the Circular to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.
13. There shall be **no repeat or additional examinations** which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2019.
14. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
15. 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 the 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. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
16. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM web site www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk for further updated details.



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