

**Circular Letter No. 86 / 2020**

My No. PGIM/EX/7/MD/EM (20)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha,  
Colombo 7.  
09<sup>th</sup> September 2020

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/  
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**MD (EMERGENCY MEDICINE) EXAMINATION – OCTOBER 2020**

1. The above examination will commence on **16<sup>th</sup> October 2020**. 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) Satisfactory completion of the **3 year** clinical training with 80% attendance;
  - (b) Obtaining a minimum collated in-course assessment mark of **50%** for the 3 year clinical training period  
and
  - (c) Obtaining a minimum mark of **50%** at the Portfolio assessment.
  - (d) Candidates are required to submit a certified copy of **Professionalism and Ethics in Medical Practice Strand Certificate issued by the PGIM along with the application.**
3. The examination shall consist of six components;
  - (i) In-course assessment
  - (ii) Short Answer Questions Paper - 3 hours duration  
10 compulsory questions
  - (iii) Clinical Interpretation (OSPE) - 1 hour duration  
10 OSPE stations (each lasting 6 minutes)
  - (iv) Short Clinical Cases - 6 cases (each lasting 10 minutes)
  - (v) Portfolio  
The portfolio interview shall be a minimum of 30 minutes
  - (vi) Structured Viva  
2 stations (20 minutes each)

4. To pass the examination and candidate should score 50% or more of the total aggregate and a score of 40% or more for at least 4 of the 6 components.
5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD Part II 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.
6. Please note that **candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the MD examination which must be completed 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 permitted the sixth attempt. These requirements will not apply to those candidates who have sat the Selection/Part I examination before 1998.
7. The allocation of Post MD training units will be done as described in “General Regulations and Guidelines -2020 which is available on the PGIM website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk). The allocated training units shall not be changed for personal reasons.
8. Post-MD trainees should commence post-MD overseas training within two (02) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training. Any delay will be added to the effective date of Board Certification. Post-MD trainees who delay commencing overseas post-MD training by more than four (04) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training will have their trainee status terminated.
9. There should be no delay in submitting the research project report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly.
10. The minimum duration of Post MD training required to be eligible for Board certification shall be one year local and one year overseas. However the duration may be more than two years in certain specialties and the information is available in the prospectus.
11. The candidates who shall commence the Post MD (Senior Registrar) training after August 2011 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 requirement for Board Certification including overseas training the prospective trainee applies 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. 6,000.00 (non refundable)
(b) Examination fees	- Rs. 59,000.00
(c) Application fee	- Rs. 3,000.00 (non refundable)
(d) Case Book Assessment fee	- Rs. 3,000.00 (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.**

14. The application form can be downloaded from the website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk).
15. The applications should reach the Assistant Registrar/ Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, No. 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 7 on or before **30<sup>th</sup> September 2020**. The envelope should be marked “**Application for the MD (Emergency Medicine) Examination**” at the top left hand corner. **Incomplete applications and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**
16. 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](http://www.health.gov.lk).
17. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all Medical Officers / Dental Surgeons concerned in your department/division/faculty.
18. There shall be **no repeat or additional examinations** which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2020.
19. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the **Senate of the University**.
20. 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.
21. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> for further updates.

  
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