

Circular Letter No 24/2021

My No. PGIM/EX/10/MD/Oph/Optics (21)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,
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Colombo 7.
05th March 2021

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,

MD (OPHTHALMOLOGY) OPTICS AND REFRACTION EXAMINATION – APRIL 2021

1. The above examination will commence on **20th April 2021**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - (a) Should possess six months of training in a recognized training unit after successful completion of MD (Ophthalmology) Ophthalmic Basic Sciences Examination. During this period the trainee is expected to gain proficiency in theoretical and clinical aspects of Optics and Refraction.
 - (b) There will be two Continuous Assessments by a panel of examiners before MD (Ophthalmology) Optics and Refraction examination. The candidate must obtain pass marks in at least in one of the two assessments to be eligible to sit the examination.
 - (c) Satisfactory progress report for the six months of training in Ophthalmology acceptable to the BOS (annexure 12 in prospectus)
3. Past question papers are available for sale in the PGIM Library or can be downloaded from our website www.cmb.ac.lk/pgim.
4. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD (Ophthalmology) Optics and Refraction 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 examination for reasons not acceptable to the Board of Study the examination will be counted as an attempt.

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5. This examination shall consist of three components
 - I. MCQ Paper (45 questions – 1 ½ hours)
 - II. Structured Essay Paper (4 questions – 2 hours)
 - III. Refraction Clinicals (2 Cases – 30 minutes) & Structured Oral/Viva Voce examination (15 minutes) Compulsory Component to pass

6. In order to pass **the examination**, a candidate must:

Obtain a minimum final closed mark of 20 (a grade of **PASS - P** or an **EXCELLENT PASS – EP**)

And

Obtain a minimum closed mark of 20 for Refraction-Clinicals and Structured Oral / Viva voce examination component

And

Not obtain more than one closed mark of less than 20 in the other two components (MCQ, and Structured Essay)

And

Not obtain a closed mark of less than 15 in either the MCQ or the Structured Essay component.

7. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be as follows:-
 - (a) Application fee - Rs. 4,000/- (Non Refundable)
 - (b) Registration fee - Rs. 8,000/- (Non Refundable)
 - (c) Examination fee - Rs. 20,000/-

(Only online payments through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM)

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on each fee of the PGIM)

8. The application form can be downloaded from the website <http://pgim.cmb.ac.lk>

9. Duly filled application should be forwarded through the Head of the Department confirming that the applicant if selected would be released for the Postgraduate training in the PGIM. **All the candidates should send the scan copy of your application after obtaining all the signatures of relevant authorities to exam@pgim.cmb.ac.lk** and applicants are recommended to send the hard copy of the application to the Senior Assistant Registrar/Examinations, Postgraduate Institute of Medicine, 160, Professor Nandadasa Kodagoda Mawatha, Colombo 07 **on or before 22nd March 2021. If you are unable to send the hard copy of the application, please mention the fact in the same email. Incomplete, handwritten, and late applications will not be considered under any circumstances.**

