

Circular Letter No. 007 / 2022

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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/Eastern/Rajarata/Sabaragamuwa/Wayamba/ KDU

MD HISTOPATHOLOGY PART II EXAMINATION– MARCH 2022

1. The above examination will commence on **Monday, 14 March 2022** and the Postmortem Viva component of the above examination will commence on **Tuesday, 01 February 2022**.
2. Applications are invited from medical officers possessing the following minimum requirements to sit the above Examination.
 - (a) Satisfactory completion of Pre MD Part II training with a minimum 80% attendance
 - (b) Submission of the Portfolio
 - (c) Satisfactory progress reports
 - (d) Completion of the cut-up assessment
 - (e) Candidates are required to submit **Professionalism and Ethics in Medical Practice Strand Certificate issued by the PGIM along with the application.**
3. The examination consists of 04 practical components as follows:-
 - (1) 15 Histopathology Slides 3 hours
 - (2) 15 Cytology Slides 2 hours 30 minutes
 - (3) 15 OSPE cases 3 hours including 30 minutes question time
 - (4) (i) Postmortem Viva 15 minutes
 - (ii) Clinico-Pathological Conference – two cases 2 hours including 20 minutes viva
 - (iii) Viva Voce 20 minutes
 - (iv) Cut-up assessment 45 minutes

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4. Requirement to pass the MD Part II Examination in Histopathology

- (i) An overall aggregate mark of 50% or more from Components 1,2,3 & 4 **AND**
- (ii) 50% or more for each slides, for at least 10 out of 15 slides of Components 1 (Histopathology Slides) **AND**
- (iii) 50 % or more for each slides, for at least 10 out of 15 slides/cases of Components 2 (Cytology) **AND**
- (iv) 50% or more for each station, in at least 10 out of 15 station of Component 3 (OSPE) **AND**
- (v) 50% or more for Component 4

5. Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD 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 6 attempts only in the MD 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 permitted the sixth attempt.

7. Each year only the scheduled Selection Examination in the approved examination calendar will be held. **No repeat or additional examinations will be held.**

8. The allocation of training units will be done as described in “General Regulation and Guidelines 2022” which is available on the PGIM web site: www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk. The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons. The number of available subspecialty training vacancies offered for post MD training, if any, will be determined based on the vacancy list provided by the MOH prior to the allocation.

9. 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. The trainee status of trainees will be terminated in those who delay commencing overseas post-MD training by more than four (04) years after the expected date of completing local post-MD training

10. There should be no delay in submitting the research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. Any delay will be added to the effective date of Board certification.

11. The trainees must, within one (1) calendar month of satisfactory completion of the prescribed requirements, apply for Board Certification. All relevant documents must be submitted with the application. Failure to do so will result in a delay of effective date of Board Certification

12. The candidates should pass the Pre-Board Certification Assessment to be eligible for Board Certification. The details are available on the PGIM website.

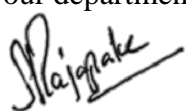
13. The prescribed fees for the examination shall be as follows:

- (a) Application fee - Rs. 4,000.00 (non refundable)
- (b) Registration fee - Rs. 8,000.00 (non refundable)
- (c) Examination fees - Rs. 74,000.00

candidates from non-state sector will be charged 50% more of the above specified fees

Only payments made through the PGIM online portal will be accepted.

14. The Application form can be download from www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk
15. 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.
16. All examination Applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form. <https://forms.gle/KcH3gH5EMVEfveip8> on or before 25 January 2022. Candidates have to use the emailaccount created by the PGIM. The exam application with all relevant documents must be attached asa single PDF document since this portal does not allow uploading of multiple documents. **Pleasenote that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.**
17. Please refer the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health–www.health.gov.lk/
18. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
19. 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 behavior, 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.
20. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk).
21. Please bring the contents of this Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.



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