

Circular Letter No.³⁵ / 2024

My No. PGIM/EX/13/PDTCD ('24)
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine
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Colombo 7
02nd May 2024

To: Deputy Director General/ 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/Eastern/Rajarata/Sabaragamuwa/Wayamba/KDU

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TUBERCULOSIS & CHEST DISEASES EXAMINATION
JUNE 2024 (PROSPECTUS 2016)

1. The above examination will commence on **05th June 2024**. 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 logbook, duly signed by the supervisor.
 - d) Attendance according to the Paragraph 10 (Leave) of the PGIM General Regulations and Guidelines for Trainees 2024

Note :-

Those who are eligible in terms of the above requirements should submit with the application, the "Logbook" 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 Logbook.

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3. The examination will consist of 02 assessments.

(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. 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.
6. 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.** However, after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one-year further training before permitted the sixth attempt.
7. The prescribed fees for the Examination shall be as follows: -
- (a) Application fee - Rs. 6,500.00 (Non-Refundable)
 - (b) Registration fee - Rs. 14,000.00 (Non-Refundable)
 - (c) Examination fee - Rs. 74,500.00

(Private candidates will be charged 50% more on fees stated above.)

Note that only payment made through PGIM online portal will be accepted.

8. The Application form could be download from our website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk
9. Each year only the scheduled PG Diploma Examination in the approved examination calendar will be held. **No repeat or additional examination will be held.**

10. All examination applications and other documents will be collected through a Google form <https://forms.gle/GwyKQDC1TSEZjaj27> on or before **15th May 2024**. Candidates have to use the email accounts created by the PGIM to access the Google form. The exam application with all relevant documents must be attached as a **single pdf** document since this portal does not allow uploading of multiple documents. **Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.**
11. 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.
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13. 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.
14. The Orientation programme on ‘PGIM Library resources and services’ is mandatory for all postgraduate trainees who enter pgim Training programmes. Please refer <https://library.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/> for more information.
15. A trainee following a PG Certificate or PG Diploma or MSc or MD programme shall not be permitted to sit another selection examination for a PG Certificate or PG Diploma or MSc or MD. If the trainee leaves the course before completion of a programme/course of study, he/she shall not be permitted to sit for another selection examination for a minimum period of two years from the date of leaving the programme/course of study. This rule shall not apply for online and part time courses.
16. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM web site www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk for further updated details.
17. Please bring the contents of the Circular to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.



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