

Circular Letter No. 79 /2024

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Colombo 07.
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To: Deputy Director General/NHSL, Colombo,
Directors/MSS of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Provincial 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

**SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN
MEDICAL EDUCATION – OCTOBER 2024**

01. The above examination is scheduled to be held on **07th October 2024**.
02. Applications are invited from medical officers in the state and non-state sectors possessing the following requirements to sit the Selection Examination for enrolment to the above examination.
 - (a) Hold a medical degree registered with the Sri Lanka Medical Council
 - (b) Complete an internship recognized by the Sri Lanka Medical Council
 - (c) Complete one year of work experience in Sri Lanka after internship

OR

 - (d) Be a teacher in a Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science or Allied Health Sciences, or hold an equivalent post in an institution training healthcare professional, with a degree equivalent to SLQF 6 or above

Note:

The criteria prescribed in paragraph (c) has to be satisfied by the applicants by the date of closure of applications. Where a shortfall has occurred due to any reasons including sick, maternity or other leave, the doctor concerned should complete such shortfall in order to become eligible to apply for the Selection Examination.

03. The University Grants Commission has recognized the PGIM Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Education as a suitable induction programme for academic staff in Faculties of Medicine / Dental Sciences and Allied Health Sciences. Acceptance of this recognition may vary in different universities and applicants are advised to clarify with their respective universities.
04. To be eligible for enrolment to the training programme, the applicants should pass the selection examination. The current format of the selection examination is described in the prospectus 2016. The selection examination shall consist of two components, a Written Paper of 01 hour's duration and an Oral Examination of 15 minutes' duration per candidate. The content areas from which the questions are based on, is described in the Prospectus 2016.

05. Only the candidates who pass the Selection Examination by obtaining a minimum of 50% of the total aggregate and a minimum of 45% for each of the two components will be enrolled to the training programme.
06. When a candidate is selected, he/she should register in the same year. If this is not done another eligible candidate will be selected. A candidate who has declined registration, will not be permitted to register in the programme in a subsequent year with the same results unless a valid medical certificate from a consultant acceptable to the PGIM is submitted.
07. The relevant information of the training programme and Certificate Examination are described in the Prospectus 2016. However, if amendments have been made following printing of the Prospectus, the circulars with such amendments are published on the website.
08. The prescribed fees for the examination for candidates in the state sector are as follows:

(a) Application fee	- Rs. 6,500.00 (non-refundable)
(b) Registration fee	- Rs. 14,000.00 (non-refundable)
(c) Examination fees	- Rs.34,500.00

(Candidates from the non-State sector will be charged 50% more of the above-listed fees)

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

09. The application form can be downloaded from the PGIM website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk.
10. All examination applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form <https://forms.gle/pSibqGGFaV7F9Jjb9> on or before 26th September 2024. All applicants should have a Gmail Account to log into the google form. You should attach your exam application with all the relevant documents as a single PDF document since this portal does not allow you to attach multiple documents. Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submissions and applications sent via email will not be accepted.
11. Please refer to the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding the release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website – www.health.gov.lk
12. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
13. 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 (e.g. 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 the 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.

14. 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.
15. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updates www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk.
16. Please bring the contents of the Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/faculty.

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