

Circular Letter No 36 /2026

My No. PGIM/EX/6/Dip/Psych (26)  
Postgraduate Institute of Medicine,  
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Colombo 7.  
15<sup>th</sup> May 2026

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,  
Rajarata/ Sri Jayewardenepura,

**POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PSYCHIATRY EXAMINATION– JUNE 2026**  
**(PROSPECTUS 2023)**

1. The above examination will commence on **15<sup>th</sup> June 2026**.
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychiatry examination.

A satisfactory training which includes,

- (a) Completion of the 12 months training certified by the trainer.
  - (b) Completion of 10 sessions in a Child and Adolescent Psychiatry unit certified by the trainer.
  - (c) Assessment and approval of the portfolio.
3. The current format of the Postgraduate Diploma in Psychiatry examination is available in the PGIM website.
  4. The examination consists of Three components i.e. Theory paper (50 MCQs -2 hours duration), Clinical (MOCE – 04 Cases- 30 minutes each) and Portfolio assessment.
  5. The trainee should obtain a minimum mark of 50% from each of theory, clinical and portfolio components to be considered as having passed the Diploma in Psychiatry examination.
  6. Candidates are allowed a maximum of four (04) attempts within a period of 6 years from the date of entering the training programme

7. Candidates who are eligible to sit the Postgraduate 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 an attempt.

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

(a) Application fee	-Rs	8,000.00 (Non refundable)
(b) Registration fee	-Rs	17,500.00 (Non refundable)
(c) Examination Fee	-Rs	90,500.00
(d) Portfolio Assessment fee	- Rs	9,500.00 (Non refundable)

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

**Only online payment through the PGIM online portal will be accepted by the PGIM.**

9. The application form could be downloaded from our website [www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk)
10. All examination applications and other documents are collected through a Google form <https://forms.gle/zxUZgzKg4o3fKooq8> on or before **28<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. Candidates have to use the email account created by the PGIM to access the Google form. The exam application with all the relevant documents must be attached as a single PDF document since this portal does not allow you to attach multiple documents. Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.
11. Please refer to the new regulations laid down by the Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website. [www.health.gov.lk](http://www.health.gov.lk)
12. There shall be no repeat or additional examinations which are not scheduled in the approved examination calendar for the year 2026.
13. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.
14. 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.
15. Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website ([www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk](http://www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk)) for further updates.

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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