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To : Deputy Director General /NHSL,
Directors of Teaching/General Hospitals,
Regional Directors of Health Services,
Deans of Faculties of Medicine/Medical Sciences,
Universities of Peradeniya/Colombo/Jafna/Ruhuna/Kelaniya/Sri Jayewardenapura / Eastern/ Rajarata/ Sabaragamuwa / Wayamba / KDU / Moratuwa / Uva Wellassa

MD (FAMILY MEDICINE) FINAL EXAMINATION- DECEMBER 2026(PROSPECTUS 2020)

1) The above examination will commence on **01st December 2026**.

2) Applications are invited from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.

a) Successful Completion of the Pre- MD programme with documentary proof of same, including satisfactory evaluation from all respective supervisors.

b) A duly completed portfolio which is accepted and passed by the examiners.

c) A research proposal accepted by the Board of study and approved by the Ethics Review Committee.

d) Any other requirements laid down by the PGIM.

3) The current format of the MD (Family Medicine) final examination is described in the Prospectus 2020 and amendments available in the PGIM website.

4) The MD (Family Medicine) examination shall consist of Two components.

1. Theory Component
   i. MCQ Paper
   ii. SEQ Paper
2. Clinical Component
   i. Objective Structured Clinical Examination
   ii. Long Consultation

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5) **Requirements to pass the MD examination**.

To PASS according to the closed marking system:

A candidate should obtain a minimum total of 6 marks
AND

Not obtain a mark of less than 6 out of 10 for theory and clinical components
AND

Obtain a minimum of 3 at five (5) out of eight (8) live OSCE stations
AND

Obtain a minimum of 3 at one (1) out of two (2) long consultations and not less than 2 for the other long consultation

6) Candidates who are eligible to sit the MD final 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.

7) Past question papers can be downloaded from PGIM Library. http://librepository.pgim.cmb.ac.lk/handle/1/2146

8) Please note that candidates are allowed only 6 attempts at the final examination which must be made within a period of 8 years from the date of first examination. However, after failing the fifth attempt the candidate should undergo a minimum period of one-year further training before permitted to sit for the sixth attempt.

9) The allocation of training units will be done as described in "General Regulation & Guidelines 2026"which is available on PGIM website www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk.The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

10) 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.

11) 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.

12) There should be no delay in submitting the dissertation or research report within the stipulated period as prescribed in the prospectus. If there is a delay, the Board Certification will be delayed accordingly.

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13) The trainees must, within one (01) 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 the effective date of Board Certification.

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

15) The prescribed fees for the examination, shall be as follows :-

- Registration fee - Rs. 17,500/= (non refundable)
- Examination fees - Rs. 152,000/=
- Application fee - Rs. 9,500/= (non refundable)
- Portfolio Assessment fee - Rs.19,000/-

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

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

16) The Application form can be download from www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk .

17) All examination Applications and other documents are collected through a Google Form. (https://forms.gle/MJGfwjTRcxgqWRQP9) on or before **19th November 2026**. Trainees have to use the email account created by the PGIM. 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.**

18) 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 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.

19) The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University**.**

20) Each year only the scheduled examination in the approved examination calendar will be held. No repeat or additional examinations will be held.

21) Please refer to the new regulations laid down by Ministry of Health regarding release of Medical Officers of Department of Health in MOH website.

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22) Candidates are requested to visit the PGIM website for further updates (www.pgim.cmb.ac.lk).

23) 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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