

Circular Letter No. 05/2023

My No. PGIIM/EX/AYU/05/MD/2023
POSTGRADUATE INSTITUTE OF INDIGENOUS MEDICINE,
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28th April 2023

To: Commissioner of Ayurveda
Provincial Commissioners of Ayurveda
Vice Chancellor, University of Colombo
Vice Chancellor, Gampaha Wickramarachchi University of Indigenous Medicine
Dean, Faculty of Indigenous Medicine, Gampaha Wickramarachchi University of
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Dean, Faculty of Indigenous Medicine, University of Colombo
Director/NATH, Borella

MD EXAMINATION IN AYURVEDA SWASTHAVRITTHA – AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2023

1. The above examination will commence on 22nd August 2023. The examination will be held in the PGIIM, Colombo and National Ayurveda Teaching Hospital, Colombo. (NATH – Rajagiriya)
2. Applications are invited by me from medical officers possessing the following requirements to sit the above examination.
 - I. Satisfactory completion of Stages I, II and III of the training programme.
 - II. Satisfactory Reports on Performance.
 - III. Satisfactory Annual Reviews at each stage of training.
 - IV. Overall attendance of 80% at each component in each stage of training.
3. The examination shall consist of a written component (C1) and a clinical component (C2). The content areas from which the questions are based on are described in the Prospectus.

Written Component consists of FOUR segments (1) Structured Essay Question Paper (2) Case History Paper (3) Data interpretation paper (4) Objective Structured Practical Examination (OSPE)

The mandatory requirements of the C1 to be eligible to proceed to the clinical component (C 2) are:

An overall mark of $\geq 50\%$ in the entire written component

AND

A minimum mark of 50% each for any two out of four segments mentioned in (C1)

AND

A minimum mark of 45% each for the remaining 02 segments.

All candidates will be informed in writing of their performance in the written component whether they are permitted or not, to proceed to the clinical component of the examination.

The clinical component of the examination will commence on 31st August 2023.

Clinical component consists of a long case and Structured Assessment of Clinical Skills (SACS).

4. The requirements to pass the MD (Ayu) (Kaya) Examination

An overall mark of $\geq 50\%$ in the entire written component (C1) with a minimum mark of 50% for any two out of four segments in the written component and a minimum of 45% for the remaining 02 segments.

AND

A mark of $\geq 50\%$ for the long case of the clinical examination (C2)

AND

A mark of $\geq 50\%$ in minimum of five stations and an overall mark of 50% or more is mandatory for SACS of clinical examination (C2)

5. In the event of a candidate being successful only in the written component, the candidate should sit the entire examination including the written component in subsequent examination/s.

6. 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.

7. Please note that candidates are allowed only six (06) attempts at the MD Examination which must be completed within a period of eight (08) years from the date of the first examination.

8. No repeat or additional examination will be held. Repeat candidates should sit for the next schedule MD examination.

9. The allocation of training units will be done according to the approved procedures by the PGIIM based on merit. The allocated training unit/s shall not be changed for personal reasons.

10. The minimum duration of post MD training required to be eligible for Board Certification shall be one year local and one year overseas. The overseas training should commence within five (05) years after completion of the MD (Ayu) (Shalya) Examination. Any delay will be added to the date of effective Board Certification.

11. The prescribed fees for the examination are as follows-

- (a) Application fee - Rs. 1,000.00 (non refundable)
- (b) Registration fee - Rs. 8,000.00 (non refundable)
- (c) Examination fees - Rs. 40,000.00

At the first instance candidates are required to pay Rs. 8,000.00 for registration fee, Rs. 1,000 for application fee and Rs. 15,000.00 the entry fee for the written component. Those who qualify to proceed for the rest of the examination, i.e. Clinical component will have to pay the balance Examination fee of Rs. 25,000.00.

12. The application form could be downloaded from our website www.pgiim.cmb.ac.lk. The exam application with all relevant documents must be submitted to the PGIIM **on or before 17th June 2023**. Please note that incomplete, handwritten, late submission and application sent via email will not be accepted.

13. The results will be valid and official after confirmation by the Senate of the University.

14. Please bring the contents of this Circular Letter to the notice of all medical officers concerned in your department/division/institution/faculty.



Senior Professor Chrisantha Abeysena
Director, PGIIM

Copies: 1. Secretary, Ministry of Indigenous Medicine.
2. Secretary of Board of Study in Ayurveda
3. Secretaries of Specialty Boards in Swasthawrittra, Shalyatantra,
Prasuthitantra, Kaumarabuthya, Kayachitkithsa