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NATIONAL MEDICAL COMMISSION

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 18th November, 2021

No. UGMEB/NMC/Rules & Regulations/2021/ .- In exercise of the powers conferred by section 57 read with sub-section (1) of section 24 of the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 (30 of 2019), the National Medical Commission hereby makes the following regulations namely:-

- Short title and commencement.— (1) These regulations may be called the National Medical Commission (Compulsory Rotating Medical Internship) Regulations, 2021.
 - (2) They shall come into force on the date of their final publication in the Official Gazette of India.
 - Definitions.—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—
 - "Act" means the National Medical Commission Act, 2019 (30 of 2019); 2.
 - "Commission" means the National Medical Commission constituted under section 3 of the Act; (4) (b)
 - "Curriculum" includes the elements detailed in Schedule III;
- "Foreign Medical Graduate" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (c) of regulation 2 of the (0) National Medical Commission (Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate) Regulations, 2021;
- "Intern" means a medical graduate undergoing compulsory rotating internship training under these 6 regulations;
- "Log Book" means an official document chronicling the performance of an intern and a record of the work done, procedures performed and competencies achieved by him;
- "Mentor" shall mean an appropriately qualified and trained medical teacher and senior to the trainee, who guides the trainee in all aspects of graduation, such as, education, skill enhancement, research work and ethical
- "Notification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette and the expression "notify" shall be values; construed accordingly;
- "Permanent Registration" is the registration of eligible persons with a duly recognised primary medical qualification as regulated under the provisions of Chapter VI of the Act, that provides license to an individual to independently practice modern scientific system of medicine or allopathy in India;
- "Primary Medical Qualification" means a medical graduation degree, such as, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) conferred in India or an equivalent qualification of any country other than India or an

erstwhile licentiate qualification of India granted under the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 (102 of 1956), which are in force as on the date of commencement of the Act that continues to be in force till the date of their expiry for all purposes, as if they had been issued or granted under the provisions of the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder;

- "Schedule" means the Schedule annexed to these regulations;
- "University" shall have the same meaning assigned to it in clause (f) of section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956) and includes a health University in India or an equivalent institution outside India that has a Medical faculty duly recognised in that country.
- (2) Words and expressions used in these regulations and not defined herein but defined in the Act shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the Act.
- Internship to be an integral part of undergraduate medical education.— Without prejudice to the provisions of these regulations, compulsory rotating medical internship shall be an integral part of undergraduate medical education degree.
- Bar on licence to permanent registration.-No medical graduate shall be eligible to permanent registration to practice medicine in India unless he undergoes the compulsory rotating medical internship in India as provided in Schedule II.
- Duration and Period of Internship-The overall duration of compulsory rotating medical internship shall not be less than twelve months and institutions or hospitals from where it may be undergone shall be such as specified in Schedule I and shall be completed within a period of two years from the date of qualifying credentials to pursue compulsory rotating medical internship.
- Quality of internship.- No medical graduate shall be considered to have undergone compulsory rotating medical internship unless
 - all the essential (practical) aspects of medicine in the areas specified in the Schedule III and IV are completed during the internship; and
 - the entire course of internship is done under active supervision of the mentor duly qualified in that respect, and the mentor has duly issued certificate in that respect, as per the proforma provided in Schedule IV
- Qualifications of mentor. No person shall be eligible either to supervise a medical internee or certify the completion of compulsory rotating medical internship, unless he possesses all the qualifications specified in Schedule IV.
- The Dean/ Principal/ Director or any other equivalent authority shall be responsible for implementation of these Regulations.

SCHEDULE - I

[See regulation5]

DURATION and PERIOD OF CRMI

Total Duration

Every candidate shall be required to undergo a compulsory rotating medical internship (CRMI) for a minimum period of twelve months, to the satisfaction of the college authorities and the University concerned after passing the final Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) examination/ National Exit Exam for MBBS (Next), so as to be eligible for the award of the MBBS degree by the respective Universities.

2. Period for Completion

- The Internship shall be completed within two years of passing the final MBBS or Foreign Medical (a) Graduate Examination (FMGE) or NExT Step-1 examination, whenever in force.
- The minimum duration of compulsory rotating medical internship may be extended appropriately by a reasonable period on recommendation by the College or University for reasons including but not limited to:
 - insufficient period of attendance; or
- (ii) any exigency such as disasters or unforeseen circumstances in the country as notified by the Government of India or any competent authority duly authorized to do so.
- (c) The duration of internship may be curtailed or temporarily suspended or even withdrawn or cancelled at any time by the institution or University according to the prevailing rules or regulations of the relevant authority,

- the registrant, due to any reason whatsoever, desires not to pursue CRMI; or (i)
- the registrant is not found to have fulfilled eligibility requirements; or (ii)
- (iii) there are proven acts of indiscipline; or
- there are proven acts of professional misdemeanor or misconduct; or (iv)
- any other acts or actions including those violating law of the land. (v)
- An intern shall be allowed to avail the following leaves;-(d).
- A. Normal Leave:
- Interns shall be permitted a maximum of fifteen days leave with prior permission, during the entire (i) period of internship.
- The entire period of fifteen days cannot be availed during any of the one week or two weeks postings applicable to a single department or specialty
 - B. Maternity Leave:
- Lady Interns may be permitted Maternity Leave according to prevailing rules and regulations of the Central Government or State Government, as may be applicable
- Paternity Leave: Male interns may be permitted paternity leave for two weeks either in continuation or in intervals of one week each within one year of internship.
 - Medical Leave: D.
 - Medical Leave shall be included within the fifteen days of normal leave. (i)
 - Any medical leave beyond this period shall be recommended only by a duly constituted Medical Board. (ii)
 - The internship shall be extended if the leave of absence of any kind exceeds beyond this period: Е.
 - The period of extension shall be equivalent to the period beyond permissible fifteen days of leave. (i)
- The internship shall be repeated only in the department or specialty wherein the above extension is (ii) necessary.

SCHEDULE- II

(See Regulation 4)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR COMPLETION OF CRMI

The following requirements need to be fulfilled to be eligible for CRMI.

Indian Medical Graduates

- The applicant should have successfully completed the MBBS course of any University from a college or 1. institution approved and recognised by the Commission and listed by the Undergraduate Medical Education Board under the provisions of section 35 of the Act.
- The qualifying examination for Indian Medical Graduates shall be in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations of the Commission at the time of commencement of internship;
 - The Final MBBS Examination of various Universities or institutions of India;
- The National Exit Test (NExT) Step-1 held under sub-section (1) of section 15 of the Act whenever this (i) examination becomes operational;
- (iii) Any other requirement as may be regulated or notified by the Central Government or, as the case may be, the Commission.
- All Indian Medical Graduates shall complete their entire period of compulsory rotating internship training (CRMI) in the institution where they have pursued and completed their Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS);
- One-year approved service in the Armed Forces Medical Services, after passing the final MBBS examination shall be considered as equivalent to the pre- registration training detailed above; and such training shall, as far as possible, be at the Base or General Hospital. The training in Community Medicine should fulfill the norms of the NMC as proposed above. However NExT step 2 will be mandatory for these candidates also.

Foreign Medical Graduates 2.

- All Foreign Medical Graduates, as regulated by the National Medical Commission (Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate) Regulations, 2021, are required to undergo internship at par with Indian Medical Graduates in they desire to seek Permanent Registration to practice Medicine in India.
- All Foreign Medical Graduates, unless otherwise notified shall be required to undergo CRMI at par with Indian Medical Graduates after the National Exit Test Step-1 after NExT becomes operational.
- Indian citizens (including overseas Indian citizens) who are Foreign Medical Graduates who do not fall under the purview of the National Medical Commission (Foreign Medical Graduate Licentiate) Regulations, 2021shall be regulated by the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 13 of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 (102 of 1956) in accordance with the Advisory no MCI-203(1)(Gen)/2020- Regn./118239, dated the 2nd September, 2020 and shall be required to complete CRMI in India if they have not undergone such practical training after obtaining such qualification as may be required by the rules and regulations in force in the country granting such qualification or has not undergone any practical training in that country.
- Foreign Medical Graduates who require to complete a period of Internship shall do so only in medical colleges or institutions approved for providing CRMI to Indian Medical Graduates;
- Foreign Medical Graduates may be posted first in colleges which have been newly opened and have yet to be recognized;
- May be posted to different medical colleges or institutions through a counseling or seat allocation (ii) process based on the merit;
- (iii) Medical colleges or institutions may allow up to 7.5 per cent of their permitted quota of interns to accommodate internship by Foreign Medical Graduates.
- The college or institution and its affiliated hospitals and Community Health Centres shall be recognised by the Commission for conducting the CRMI programme

SCHEDULE- III

[See regulation 2(c)]

CURRICULUM AND SPECIALITIES OF COMPULSORY ROTATING MEDICAL INTERNSHIP (CRMI)

DISCIPLINE

(a).COMMUNITY MEDICINE The aim of teaching the undergraduate student in Community Medicine is to impart such knowledge and skills that may enable him to diagnose and treat common medical illnesses and recognize the importance of community involvement. He/she shall acquire competence to deal effectively with an individual and the community in the context of primary health care. This is to be achieved by hands-on experience in the District Hospital and Primary Health Centre. The details are as under: -

- 12 weeks (Total): Community Medicine (compulsory residence in center)
- (ii) 3 weeks: General Medicine
- (iii) 3 weeks: General Surgery
- (iv) 3 weeks: Obstetrics and Gynecology
- 3 weeks: Community Medicine

District Hospital /Community Health Centre:

- Tasks an intern must be able to do without assistance:
- An intern must: 1.
- Be able to diagnose common ailments and advise primary care: (a)
- Demonstrate knowledge on 'Essential drugs' and their usage; (b)
- Recognize medical emergencies, resuscitate and institute initial treatment and refer to a suitable institution/ suggest to the patient an alternative health care facility if he/she wants to know about the same.
- An intern must be familiar with all National Health Programmes (e.g. RCH, UIP, CDD, ARI, FP, ANC, Tuberculosis, Leprosy and others), as recommended by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
 - An intern must: