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Pocket- 14, Sector8, Dwarka, Phase-1, New Delhi- 110077 Date: 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2023

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

In supersession to the Public Notice dated 22.11.2023, the National Medical Commission in its meeting held on 30.11.2023 has decided to provide clarifications/decisions in various issues with respect to Foreign Medical Graduates.

### 1. ISSUES RELATED TO FMGs FROM UKRAINE

- I. FMGs had a break in their final year and returned to India (Owing to covid pandemic or war) and completed FMG course (including examination) through online mode.
  - FMGs will have to undergo one (1) year clinical clerkship (CC) in India in lieu of deficiency in their training from their parent medical college.
  - The Indian Medical College may charge clerkship fee from FMGs maximum upto Rs. 5000/-PM.
  - After successful completion of 1 year clerkship and supported by logbook followed by authentication from concerned college authority, they will be allowed to begin CRMI which may be done in medical college or any recognized institute.
  - Such students at the stage of CRMI, shall be eligible to receive stipend equivalent to the stipend received by IMGs of that college/ Institution.
  - Allotment of such students to clinical clerkship or Internship programme will be done through concerned DME and SMC, in consultation with each other.
  - Existing FMGs undergoing internship be allowed to continue to complete their two years before permanent registration given by the State Medical Council.

• This relaxation is specifically for final year students who returned to India owing to covid pandemic or war.

# II. FMGs had a break in Penultimate year of study (Owing to covid pandemic or war) and completed FMG course (including examination) through online mode.

- FMGs will have to undergo two (2) years of clinical clerkship (CC) supported by logbook, further authenticated by concerned college authority.
- The Indian Medical College may charge clerkship fee from FMGs maximum upto Rs. 5000/-PM.
- After successful completion of 2 year clerkship and supported by logbook followed by authentication from concerned college authority, they will be allowed to begin CRMI which may be done in medical college or any recognized institute.
- Such students at the stage of CRMI, shall be eligible to receive stipend equivalent to the stipend received by IMGs of that college/ Institution.
- Allotment of such students to clinical clerkship or Internship programme will be done through concerned DME and SMC, in consultation with each other.
- Existing FMGs undergoing internship be allowed to continue to complete their three (3) years before permanent registration given by the State Medical Council.
- This relaxation is specifically for penultimate and final year FMGs who returned to India owing to covid pandemic or war.

# III. Allowing FMGs from Ukraine to continue their study from different countries (Except India)

- a. In continuation to the earlier scheme dated 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2022 (read as a clarification of Public Notice dated 06<sup>th</sup> September, 2022) namely Academic Mobility Program, NMC has decided to extend such scheme as a one-time measure to the FMGs- <u>who had joined MBBS course before 18.11.2021</u> and have returned from Ukraine to avail the benefits of the scheme and complete their remaining medical course. The Degree may however be awarded by the University to where they shall migrate.
- b. Those candidates who have joined the course (equivalent to MBBS in India), <u>physically in Ukraine/ Russia on or after</u>

<u>18.11.2021</u>, and have returned/ were evacuated during the warperiod (i.e. evacuation period of Operation Ganga w.e.f. 26.02.2022 to11.03.2022) in a medical institute of either Ukraine or Russia shall be given permission to transfer/migrate to any other country (except India) to complete their study as per FMGL regulations dated 18.11.2021, and procure certificate which grants them license to practice Allopathy in that country. This permission for migration shall be specific for these students only who returned to India till 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2022. **Period of permission of migration shall expire on 07.03.2024.** 

c. This relaxation is for the batch of students who at the time of return to India were in  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  or  $3^{rd}$  year of their medical course.

#### 2. ISSUES RELATED TO RECOGNITION OF BS COURSE

- Students who were studying BS Course or had taken admission in BS course and were physically studying in Foreign Medical Institute at the time of publication of FMGL Regulation 2021 dated 18.11.2021 shall be governed by old Screening Test Regulation, 2002 however such students shall have to undergo additional one year of internship as per CRMI Regulation, 2021.
- This shall be one time exemption specific to these students only.

#### 3. ISSUES RELATED TO INTERNSHIP OF FMGS IN INDIAN INSTITUTES

The number of seats permitted for internship or clinical clerkship willbe 7.5% of the permitted MBBS seats in old colleges who have their students pursuing CRMI and it shall be 100% in new medical colleges who do not have their own students doing CRMI. The permission to be granted to these FMGs to join internship including the time frames and schedules in various institutions shall be decided jointly by State Medical Councils and State Directors of Medical Education/authorities allotting institutions to FMGs for pursuing internship. The students shall be continuing their compulsory rotating medical internship in the same institute/colleges where they shall be doing their clinical clerkship.

#### 4. ISSUE OF ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATE (EC) TO FMGs

- Keeping in view the fact that several thousand Indian students • who have already commenced their pre-medical education, i.e., B.S. course in Philippines or pre-medical/language courses in any other foreign countries and that Eligibility Certificate is required to be granted on the criteria of age and marks in 10+2 as per Public Notice dated 14th September, 2018 issued by the erstwhile Medical Council of India and Order dated 27.09.2018 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi at New Delhi in WP(c)No.8091/2018 and connected matters, Indian Citizens/OCI who had not registered/appeared/qualified NEET-UG 2018 & 2019, were allowed to take admission in MBBS or equivalent medical course in a medical university outside the country in the academic year 2018-19 and 2019-20. However, such candidates are required to obtain/apply for an eligibility certificate from the Medical Council of India u/s 13(4B) of the IMC Act, 1956.
- Such candidates should furnish their admission record in BS or any other pre-medical course/language course in the Foreign Countries with their application for an Eligibility Certificate alongwith details of travel including exit from India and entry back into India as well as entry / exit in that Foreign Country. The same may be accepted only on the basis of certified copies of passport wherein such details are duly recorded. It may be further clarified that, the present is a one-time exemption granted keeping in view the peculiar facts and circumstances that have arisen and all those who leave the Indian Shores for pursuing pre-medical/medical course for the academic year 2018-19 & 2019-20 shall be exempted from the requirement of NEET-2018 & 2019 in terms of the amendment dated 01.03.2018 to the Screening Test Regulations, 2002 and Eligibility Reguirement for Taking Admission in an Undergraduate Medical Course in a Foreign Medical Institution Regulation, 2002."

#### 5. <u>ISSUES RELATED TO CAPPING OF TIME LIMIT TO QUALIFY</u> <u>FMG EXAMINATION</u>

• All FMGs shall have to complete their internship within 10 years from date of joining their Foreign Medical Institutions to

procure qualification equivalent to MBBS in India.

**6.** This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

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