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Eligibility Criteria for Fellowship Examinations

(4 year fellowship program)

(Applicable for the candidates who passed FCPS Part-I examination in between January 2005 session and July 2019 session)

Online application is compulsory for the candidates of Preliminary FCPS Part-II, FCPS Part-II (Final) and FCPS (Sub-speciality) examinations. The candidates are instructed to follow the following information:

A. Specialities:

a) Preliminary FCPS Part – II, FCPS Part -II (Final) and FCPS (Sub-speciality) examinations of BCPS will start at Dhaka on 1st January 2021 in the following subjects:

General subjects (22):

1) Medicine, 2) Surgery, 3) Paediatrics, 4) Obstetrics & Gynaecology, 5) Ophthalmology, 6) Otolaryngology, 7) Psychiatry, 8) Anaesthesiology, 9) Radiology & Imaging, 10) Radiotherapy, 11) Dermatology & Venereology, 12) Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, 13) Haematology, 14) Biochemistry, 15) Histopathology, 16) Microbiology, 17) Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics, 18) Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, 19) Prosthodontics, 20) Orthodontics & Dentofacial Orthopaedics, 21) Transfusion Medicine and 22) Family Medicine.

Specialized subjects (26) :

1) Gastroenterology, 2) Neurology, 3) Nephrology, 4) Endocrinology & Metabolism, 5) Cardiology, 6) Pulmonology, 7) Hepatology, 8) Rheumatology, 9) Infectious Disease & Tropical Medicine, 10) Urology, 11) Neuro-surgery, 12) Cardiovascular Surgery, 13) Thoracic Surgery, 14) Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, 15) Orthopaedic Surgery, 16) Paediatric Surgery, 17) Neonatology, 18) Paediatric Haematology & Oncology, 19) Paediatric Nephrology, 20) Paediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition, 21) Paediatric Pulmonology, 22) Paediatric Neurology & Development, 23) Paediatric Cardiology 24) Feto-Maternal Medicine, 25) Gynaecological Oncology and 26) Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility.

B. Preliminary FCPS Part-II Examination:

Eligibility Criteria:

- Passing FCPS Part-I Examination from the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS) or College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP) on or before July 2019.
- Two years training in relevant general subject in the Institute recognized by BCPS. Alternatively one and half year training in the relevant general subject and six months in a relevant speciality of the general subjects (except the speciality in which the candidate has passed FCPS– I).

C. FCPS Part-II (Final) Examination in General Subjects:

Eligibility Criteria:

- Passing FCPS Part-I Examination from the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS) or College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP) on or before July 2019.
 - 04 years training certificate. out of 04 years training, 02 years training must be after FCPS Part– I
 - Acceptance of dissertation.

or

2. a) Passing MD/MS Examination from Dhaka University or BSMMU and recognized by Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council (BMDC) (if applicable).
- b) Out of 04 years training, candidates having MD/MS of DU or BSMMU on or before July 2019 will get 02 years training exemption from 04 years training in respective speciality. They will require 02 years training of which 01 year must be completed after having those qualifications.
- MD/MS degree of 03 years course will not get any exemption for appearing in FCPS Part-II examinations.
- c) Acceptance of dissertation.

Note: MD/MS in specialized subjects are not eligible to appear in FCPS Part-II final examination in relevant general subjects.

TRAINING FORMAT:

Candidates who have passed FCPS Part-I examination in between January 2005 session to July 2019 session will require:-

- a) Three years training in the respective subject
b) One year academic course

Or

Four years training in the respective subject

(a) Medicine (with academic course):

- i. Three years training in Medicine

Or

Two & a half years training in Medicine & six months training in any one of the following sub-specialities: 1) Cardiology, 2) Nephrology, (3) Gastroenterology, (4) Neuro-Medicine, (5) Hepatology, (6) Endocrinology & Metabolism, (7) Pulmonology, (8) Rheumatology, (9) Haematology, (10) Critical Care Medicine (BIRDEM Hospital) and (11) Medical Oncology (NICRH)

Or

Two years training in Medicine and one year training in any of the two of the sub-specialities (six months in each) as mentioned in clause (a)i.

Or

One and a half years training in Medicine and one and a half years training in any of the three sub-specialities (six months in each) as mentioned in clause (a)i.

- (ii) One year academic course.

(b) Medicine (without academic course) :

- i. Four years training in Medicine **Or**

Three & a half years training in Medicine and six months training in any of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause (a)i.

Or

Three years training in Medicine and one year training in any two of the sub-specialities (six month in each) as mentioned in clause (a)i.

Or

Two and a half years training in Medicine and one and a half years training in any three of the sub-specialities (six months in each) as mentioned in clause (a)i.

Or

Two years training in Medicine and two years training in any four of the sub-specialities (six months in each) as mentioned in clause (a)i.

(c) Surgery (with academic course) :

- i. Three years training in Surgery

Or

Two and a half years training in Surgery and six months training in Orthopaedic Surgery/Traumatology (Casualty training of DMCH & SSMCH) or six months training in any of the following sub-specialities: (1) Orthopaedic Surgery, (2) Traumatology (Casualty training in DMC, SSMC and CMC), (3) Urology, (4) Neuro-surgery, (5) Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, (6) Paediatric Surgery, (7) Cardio-Vascular Surgery, (8) Thoracic Surgery and (9) Colorectal Surgery.

Or

Two years training in Surgery and one year training in any two of the sub-specialities (06 months in each) as mentioned in clause (c)i.

ii. One year academic Course

(d) Surgery (without academic course) :

i. Four years training in Surgery

Or

Three and a half years training in Surgery and six months training in Orthopaedic Surgery/Traumatology (Casualty training of DMCH & SSMCH) or six months training in any of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause (c)i.

Or

Three years training in Surgery, six months training in Orthopaedic Surgery/Traumatology (Casualty training of DMCH & SSMCH) and remaining six months training in any of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause (c)i.

Or

Two and a half years training in Surgery, six months training in Orthopaedic Surgery/Traumatology and remaining one year training in any two of the sub-specialities (06 months in each) as mentioned in clause (c)i.

(e) Obst. & Gynae. (with academic course) :

i. Three years training in Obst. & Gynae

Or

Two and a half years training in Obst. & Gynae and 06 months training in any one of the following sub-specialities: (1) Feto-Maternal Medicine, (2) Gynaecological Oncology and (3) Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility

(ii) one year academic course

(f) Obst. & Gynae (without academic course) :

i. Four years training in Obst. & Gynae

Or

Three and a half years training in Obst. & Gynae and 06 months training in any one of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause (e)i.

(g) Paediatrics (with academic course) :-

i. Three years training in Paediatrics

Or

Two and a half years training in Paediatrics and 06 months training in any one of the following sub-specialities: (1) Neonatology, (2) Paediatric Haematology and Oncology (3) Paediatric Nephrology (4) Paediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition (5) Paediatric Pulmonology, (6) Paediatric Neurology & Development and (7) Paediatric Cardiology.

Or

Two years training in Paediatrics and one year training in any of the two sub-specialities (06 months in each) as mentioned in clause (g)i.

(ii) one year academic Course

(h) Paediatrics (without academic course) :

i. Four years training in Paediatrics **Or**

Three and a half years training in Paediatrics and 06 months training in any one of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause (g)i.

Or

Three years training in Paediatrics and one year training in any two of the sub-specialities (06 months in each) as mentioned in clause (g)i.

(i) For the remaining subjects (with academic course):

- i. Three years training in respective subject
- ii. One year academic course

Or

The remaining subjects (without academic course) :

- i. Four years training in respective subject

Exceptions:

1. In case of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation :

- i. Four years training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

Or

Three & half years training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

and

Six months training in Medicine/Surgery/Orthopaedic Surgery/Neurology/Neuro Surgery/ Obstetrics & Gynaecology/Paediatrics

2. In case of Dermatology & Venereology :

- i. One year training in Medicine
- ii. Three years training in Dermatology & Venereology

3. In case of Anaesthesiology :

- i. Four years training in Anaesthesiology

4. In case of Haematology :

- i. One year training in Medicine
- and**
- ii. Three years training in Haematology

N.B.: Diploma passed candidates who undergone 2 years in-house training under BSMMU will get one year training exemption in the respective general subjects for appearing in fellowship examination of BCPS.

Dissertation/Thesis Submission:

- (a) Acceptance of dissertation/thesis is a prerequisite for appearing in the FCPS Part-II (Final)/FCPS (Sub-speciality) examinations.
- (b) Three hard copies & one soft copy of dissertation should be submitted.
- (c) The candidates who have passed FCPS-I examination before July 2010, have to submit the dissertation at least 3 months before the date of examination and who have passed FCPS-I in July 2010 and afterwards will have to submit the dissertation 06 months before the date of exam. An attested copy of the letter showing that his/her dissertation has been accepted by the College must be submitted. Same rules will be applicable for MD, MS & FCPS qualified candidates.
- (d) Dissertation/Thesis which has already been accepted for any other post-graduate qualification will not be considered.

D. FCPS (Sub-speciality) Examinations:

Eligibility Criteria:

- i. Those who have passed FCPS Part - I examination in specialized subject and Preliminary FCPS Part-II examination in relevant general subject on or before July 2019.

- ii. Those who have successfully completed 03 years training in relevant sub-speciality of Surgery, Medicine, Paediatrics and Obstetrics & Gynaecology from the hospital/Institute recognized by BCPS. Out of 03 years training, 02 years training must be taken after passing Preliminary FCPS Part–II examination.
- iii. Candidates having FCPS in relevant general subjects and MD/MS in relevant general/ sub-speciality from DU or BSMMU on or before July 2019 may directly enter into sub-speciality training of 03 years (i.e. they will get exemption from appearing in FCPS–I and Preliminary FCPS – II examination). The MD/MS degree must be recognized by Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council (BMDC).

Before starting training, the candidate must have to enroll with BCPS as trainee. Training will be counted in an institute recognized by BCPS after enrollment.

Those who have completed 3 years training in relevant sub-speciality of Surgery, Medicine, Paediatrics and Obstetrics & Gynaecology after passing FCPS in respective general subjects or MD/MS in relevant general subjects/sub-speciality from D.U. or BSMMU.

- iv. (a) A thesis prepared during the sub-specialty training period and accepted by the appropriate authority of BCPS.
- (b) Passing of the thesis defense will be considered as a prerequisite for appearing in the final examination.
- (c) Thesis is to be submitted at least 3 months before the date of examination for the candidates who passed FCPS-I examination before July, 2010 and at least 06 months before the examination for the candidates who passed FCPS-I examination in July, 2010 and afterwards. A soft copy of thesis must be submitted along with 3 hard copies.
- (d) The FCPS and MD, MS qualified candidates from DU and BSMMU will also have to do a thesis as per BCPS rules.

- N.B.:**
- 1. Thesis which is already accepted for any other post-graduate qualification will not be considered.
 - 2. It is to be noted that attending the “Workshop on Research Methodology” is not mandatory for the FCPS, MD, MS qualified candidates.

Information common to all:

- 1. Please visit the exams.bcps.edu.bd for the online application procedure, timing of online application, Payment of registration fee and exam fee and other exam related information.
- 2. 03 (THREE) YEAR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM: For information please contact with office.
- 3. During submission of the hard copy of online registration form, the candidate will have to submit provisional training/course certificate to the effect that his/her training/course will be completed on 31 December 2019. But they will have to submit final training/course completion certificate from the authority issued on or after 15 December 2019. This certificate must be submitted to the College by 20 December 2019. Otherwise they will not get Admit Card for the examination.
- 4. Out of 4 years training, 01 year training must be in a paid post or must complete 01 year FCPS–II academic course in an institute recognized by BCPS. This rule is effective for the candidate who passed FCPS–I in July 2013 and afterwards.
- 5. The examinees of Final FCPS Part-II and FCPS (Sub-speciality) who secure 15 grade or above in written examination, his written exam will remain valid for next two consecutive OSPE/Practical, Interactive Oral Examinations (IOE) and Clinical part of examinations. This rule is effective from July 2016 examinations.
- 6. The examinees of Final FCPS Part-II and FCPS (Sub-speciality) who secure below 10 grade in written examination, he/she cannot sit for examination in the next two consecutive sessions. This rule will be effective for the candidates who will pass FCPS Part-I in January, 2017 Examination and afterwards.

7. A candidate of FCPS-II (Final) and FCPS (Sub-speciality) examination will be allowed to appear for a maximum of 10 (ten) times within a period of 7 (seven) years, and will be effective whichever comes first. This rule will be effective for the candidates who will enter the fellowship program and pass FCPS Part-I in January, 2017 Examination and afterwards and the times & period will start counting when the candidates will first appear in the FCPS-II (Final)/FCPS (Sub-speciality) examinations.

The candidate who will remain absent from appearing in the FCPS Part-II (Final)/FCPS (sub-specialty) examinations after completing all necessary formalities including payment of examination fee will be considered as a candidate and the times & period will be counted. If the candidate withdraws the examination fee within the schedule time, then the times & period will not be counted.

8. The trainees who have passed FCPS Part-I will have to submit a progress report of their training to the RTM department of the College after every 06 months. **Those trainees who do not submit their progress report without valid reason within 01 month of completion of the training, their training for that period will not be accepted.** This rule will be effective for the candidates who will pass FCPS Part-I in January, 2019 Examination and afterwards.
9. Workshops/training programs on Information & Communication Technology for all trainees in general subjects & subspecialties, Basic Surgical Skills for all trainees in Surgery and **allied*** subjects, Emergency Obstetric Care (EOC) & Neonatal Care for all trainees in Obstetrics and Gynaecology are **mandatory** for the trainees who will pass FCPS Part-I in January 2019 examination and afterwards.

* Please see the notice of the “mandatory workshop/training program” at BCPS website for details of surgery and **allied** subjects.

10. An examinee cannot apply for more than one examination in a particular session (January/July). This rule is effective from July 2016 examinations.
11. A certificate of training for a period of less than 6 (six) months at a time will not be accepted.
12. (a) Honorary training received in Government and Private Medical College Hospital to be counted as per previous rules of BCPS.
(b) Honorary training will be counted those who will receive training in Medicine/Surgery/Obstetrics & Gynaecology/Pediatrics at the 100 or more bedded District Sadar Hospitals and also receive the training allowances from BCPS, a maximum of 24 months training will be accepted in the respective subjects for appearing in fellowship examinations.
13. For candidates appearing in Surgery/Obstetrics & Gynaecology/ Ophthalmology /Otolaryngology who completed training before introduction of Logbook will have to submit a list of 100 operations performed/assisted by the candidate (as per proforma of the College) duly signed by the Supervisor & countersigned by the Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS. Out of 100 operations 25 should be major.
14. For candidates appearing in Anaesthesiology who completed training before introduction of logbook, must have to submit a certificate of administering at least 500 cases of Anaesthesia by the candidate duly signed by Supervisor & countersigned by Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS and a detailed list (in duplicate) of at least 100 cases of Anaesthesia administered by the candidate of which 50 of major operations signed by the Supervisor & countersigned by the Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS.
15. Admit Card will be available at exams.bcps.edu.bd for the examinations from 20 December, 2020 up to end of OSPE, Practical, Interactive Oral Examinations (IOE) and Clinical Examinations. Candidates have to print their Admit Card themselves. Admit card will not be given from College campus.
16. Writing “FCPS Part I” or “FCPS Part II” etc. in their prescription pad, visiting card or such without passing FCPS Final examination are liable to be punitive action by the College.
17. For further information please contact with the College office or visit www.bcps.edu.bd



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