05 Year Fellowship Program

(05 year fellowship program is mandatory those who passed the FCPS Part-I exam in January 2020 or onwards)

Flow Chart

FCPS Part-I in General Subject

02 years core training

FCPS Mid-term examination

After passing FCPS Mid-term examination, candidates will get opportunity to switch over to the relevant subjects

• 03 years advanced training or 02 years advanced training & 01 year academic course in respective subjects

• submission of thesis before 01 year of FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations

FCPS Part-II (Final) examination

Eligibility Criteria for Fellowship Examinations

Online application is compulsory for the candidates of FCPS Part-I, FCPS Mid-term, FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations of BCPS. The candidates are instructed to follow the following information:

FCPS Part-I, FCPS Mid-term, FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations of BCPS will start at Dhaka on 1st July, 2022 in the following subjects:

**General subjects (22):**

**Specialized subjects (37):**
Candidates who passed FCPS Part – I in January 2020 and onwards will require:-

a) Five year fellowship program (without course)

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b) Five year fellowship program (with course)

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**FCPS Part-I Examination:**

**Eligibility Criteria:**
1) Passing MBBS/BDS  
2) Having full registration with BMDC

**Examinations:**

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Mid-term Examinations:
Eligibility Criteria:
(a) Passing FCPS Part-I
(b) Two years core training
(c) The following workshops/training programs are mandatory:
   i) Information & Communication Technology and Research Methodology for all trainees
   ii) Basic Surgical Skills for all trainees in Surgery and allied subjects.
   iii) Emergency Obstetric Care (EOC) & Neonatal Care (NC) for Obstetrics & Gynaecology.
Note: After passing FCPS Mid-term examinations, candidates will get opportunity to switch over to the relevant subjects.

FCPS Part-II (Final) Examinations in General and Specialized Subjects:
Eligibility Criteria:
1. a) Passing FCPS Part-I
   b) Passing FCPS Mid-term examinations
   c) 03 years advanced training in the respective subject.
      or 02 years advanced training and 01 year academic course in the respective subject.
   c) Submission of thesis.
   or
2. a) Candidates having FCPS/MD/MS in relevant general subjects or specialized subjects
   b) 03 years advanced training in the respective subject.
      or 02 years advanced training and 01 year academic course in the respective subject.
   c) Submission of thesis.

Except:
a) FCPS in Family Medicine
Eligibility Criteria:
   a) Passing FCPS Part-I in Family Medicine.
   b) 02 years core training
   c) Passing CMT Assessment Exam.
   d) 02 years advanced training in the respective subject.
   e) Submission of thesis.

b) FCPS in Histopathology
Eligibility Criteria:
   a) Passing FCPS Part-I in Histopathology.
   b) 04 years training in the respective subject.
   c) Submission of thesis.

c) FCPS in Microbiology/Biochemistry
Eligibility Criteria:
   a) Passing FCPS Part-I in Microbiology/Biochemistry.
   b) 03 years training in the respective subject.
   c) Submission of thesis.

Guideline for thesis management:
   a) Thesis protocol must have to approve within 06 months of entering in the advanced training after passing the FCPS Mid-term examinations.
   b) Thesis must be submitted to the College 01 year before the FCPS Part-II (final) examinations.
   c) The examinee will be able to participate in the FCPS Part-II (final) examinations even though he/she has not passed the thesis defense examination, provided he/she has to pass the thesis defense examination within the next 06 months after passing the clinical examination.
Information common to all:

1. Out of 02 years of core training, 01 year training will be accepted prior to the FCPS Part-I pass in the Fellowship examinations as per following conditions:
   a) From 01 January 2015 to 31 December 2019: Training taken according to the previous rules.
   b) From 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2023: Trainees must have to register with BCPS before entering the training, fill the logbook appropriately and follow the other rules laid down by the Research & Training Monitoring Department.

   It is to be noted that no training will be accepted prior to the FCPS Part-I pass effective from 31 December 2023 in the Fellowship examinations.

2. Subject must be selected by the candidates during participating in the FCPS Part-I examinations. After passing FCPS Mid-term examinations, candidates will get opportunity to switch over to the relevant subjects before starting training.

3. Diploma passed candidates who undergone 02 years in-house training in general subjects under BSMMU, they will get 01 year training exemption out of 02 years core training in the relevant subject for appearing in fellowship examinations.

4. Diploma passed candidates who undergone 02 years in-house training in specialized subjects under BSMMU, they will get 01 year training exemption out of 03 years advanced training in the relevant subject for appearing in fellowship examinations. The rule will be applicable for the trainees who will pass the diploma before passing FCPS Part-I / FCPS Mid-Term or after passing FCPS Mid-Term.

5. FCPS/MD/MS degree holders in general and specialized subjects will be eligible for the FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations in the same subject or relevant general and specialized subjects as per following conditions:
   a) Candidates will require 03 years advanced training in the respective subjects which are to be completed after having those qualifications.
   b) Before starting training, the candidate will have to enroll with BCPS as trainee. Training will be counted in an institute recognized by BCPS.
   c) Candidates who have received training before enrollment with BCPS, 50% of their training period in the relevant subject will be counted in the fellowship examination. But not more than 1 year training will be counted for fellowship examination before enrollment.

Under this rule, the trainees will get exemption from FCPS Part-I examinations, 02 years of core training and the FCPS Mid-term examinations.

6. The examinees of FCPS Part-II (Final) who secure 15 grade or above in written examinations, his/her written exam will remain valid for next two consecutive OSPE, Clinical, Oral & Practical part of examinations.

7. The examinees of Final FCPS Part-II (Final) who secure below 10 grade in written examinations, he/she cannot sit for examinations in the next two consecutive sessions.

8. A candidate of FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations will be allowed to appear for a maximum of 10 (ten) times within a period of 07 (seven) years, and will be effective whichever comes first. The times & period will start counting when the candidates will first appear in the FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations. The candidate who will remain absent from appearing in the FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations after completing all necessary formalities including payment of examinations fee will be considered as a candidate and the times & period will be counted. If the candidate withdraws the examinations fee within the schedule time, then the times & period will not be counted.

9. 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.

10. An examinee cannot apply for more than one examination in a particular session (January/July).
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 the 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. The trainees those who are delayed in joining the training institute due to procedural reason of deputation order or processing time of appointment in the medical universities/hospitals/institutes, the shortage of training period will be counted as in training maximum for 02 months.

14. The trainees those who are late in getting the clearance/release order and other relevant documents of the last employed institution while joining, the shortage of training period will be counted as in training maximum for 15 days.

15. Candidate those who will submit the examination fee for the specific session of examination, this exam fee will be valid for that session only. This exam fee will not be accepted as examination fee for any subsequent session.

16. Writing “FCPS Part-I” or “FCPS Part-II” etc. in their prescription pad, visiting card or such without passing FCPS Part-II (Final) examinations 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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