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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR EXAMINATIONS

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

General Information:-

1. Specialities:-

A) FCPS Part-I, Preliminary FCPS Part – II, FCPS Part -II (Final) and FCPS (Sub-speciality) examinations of BCPS will start in Dhaka on 1st January 2017 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 (25) :

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) Feoto-Maternal Medicine, 24) Gynaecological Oncology, 25) Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility.

B) MCPS examination will be held in the following subjects at the same time and venue (16):-

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) Dental Surgery, 13) Forensic Medicine, 14) Family Medicine, 15) Transfusion Medicine and 16) Clinical Pathology.

2. Please visit the "Notification for January 2017 Examinations" at www.exams.bcpsbd.org for the online application procedure, timing of online application, Payment of registration fee and exam fee and other exam related information.

Specific Information:

A. For FCPS Part-I Examination:

Eligibility Criteria:-

Candidates having full registration with BMDC are eligible to appear in FCPS Part-I examination.

- N. B.** :- (1) The FCPS – I candidates who will opt for general subjects and qualify will be allowed to switch over to specialized subjects of relevant general subjects within one year of passing FCPS – I.
- (2) The FCPS – I candidates who will opt for specialized subjects and qualify will not be allowed to switch over to relevant general subjects.
- (3) If a candidate switch over from general subject to specialized subject, he/she will not be allowed to switch over to general subject again.

B. For Preliminary FCPS Part-II Examination:-

Eligibility Criteria:-

- (a) Certificate to the effect that he/she has passed FCPS Part-I Examination from the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS) or College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP).
- (b) Completion of two years training in relevant general subject in an 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. For FCPS Part-II (Final) Examination in General Subjects:-

Eligibility Criteria:

- I.**
- a) Certificate to the effect that he/she has passed FCPS Part-I Examination from the Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS) or College of Physicians and Surgeons Pakistan (CPSP).
- b) Certificate that he/she has passed MD/MS Examination from Dhaka University or BSMMU. Above mentioned Diploma/ degree must be recognized by Bangladesh Medical and Dental Council (BMDC).
- c) MD/MS degree of 03 years course will not get exemption for appearing in FCPS Part-II examinations.
- II.**
- a) 04/03 years training certificate (as per proforma of the College) from the trainer eg. Professor/ Associate Professor or Consultant having FCPS degree or equivalent duly countersigned by the Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS where the candidate undergone training.
- b) Candidates having MD, MS from DU or BSMMU before January, 2005 will get 02 years training exemption from 04/03 years required training. They will require one year training after having those qualifications. They will have to enroll with BCPS for the training and have to do a dissertation.

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



III-A 03 (THREE) YEARS TRAINING PROGRAM :-

Training requirements who passed FCPS Part – 1 before January 2005:

III.A (a) Medicine (With Course):-

- i. Two years training in Medicine

Or

One & a half year training in Medicine & six months 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 and (9) Haematology

Or

One year training in Medicine and one year training in any of the two sub-specialities (six months in each) as mentioned above

- ii. One year academic course.

Or

III.A (b) Medicine (without course) :-

- i) Three years training in Medicine

Or

Two & a half years training in Medicine and six months in any of the sub specialty as mentioned in clause IIIAa (i)

Or

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

III. A. (c) Surgery (With course):-

- i) Two years training in Surgery

Or

One and a half years training in Surgery and 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.

- ii) One year academic course

III. A. (d) Surgery (without course):-

- i) Three years training in Surgery

Or

Two and a half years training in Surgery and six months training in any one of the sub-specialities as mentioned in clause IIIAc (i)

III.A. (e) Obst. & Gynae (with course):-

- i) Two years training in Obst. & Gynae.

Or

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

- ii) One year academic course.

III.A. (f) Obst. & Gynae (without course) :-

- i) Three years training in Obst. & Gynae.

Or

Two and a half years training Obst& Gynae and 06 months training in any one of the sub-specialities as mentioned IIIAe (i)



IIIA. (g) Paediatrics (with course) :-

i) Two years training in Paediatrics

Or

One 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 and (6) Paediatric Neurology & Development.

Or

One year training in Paediatrics and one year training in any of the two sub-specialities (06 months in each) as mentioned above.

ii) One year academic course.

IIIA. (h) Paediatrics (without 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 sub-specialities as mentioned IIIAg (i)

Or

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

IIIA. (i) The remaining subjects (With Course):-

i) Two years training in respective subjects

ii) One year academic course

Exceptions :-

1) In case of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation :-

i) Two years training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

Or

a) One and half years training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

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

ii) One year academic course

2) In case of Dermatology & Venereology

i) One year training in Medicine

ii) One year training in Dermatology & Venereology

It is noted that DDV qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get six months training exemption from the total period of training in Dermatology & Venereology.

iii) One year academic course

3) In case of Anaesthesiology :

i) Two years training in Anaesthesiology.

It is noted that DA qualified candidates from any University recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get one year training exemption from two years training in Anaesthesiology.

ii) One year academic course

4) In case of Haematology

i) One year training in Medicine

ii) One year training in Haematology

iii) One year academic course

IIIA. (j) The remaining subjects (without course) :-

Three years training in respective subject

Exceptions :-

1. In case of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation:-

(i) Three years training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation.

Or

ii) Two and 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) Two years training in Dermatology & Venereology.

It is noted that DDV qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get six months training exemption from the total part of training in Dermatology & Venereology.

3. In case of Anaesthesiology:

- i) Three years training in Anaesthesiology

It is noted that DA qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get one year training exemption from the total three years training in Anaesthesiology

4. In case of Haematology

- i) One year training in Medicine
- ii) Two years training in Haematology

NOTE: OUT OF 03 YEARS TRAINING, 01 YEAR TRAINING MUST BE AFTER FCPS – I

III-B 04 (FOUR) YEARS TRAINING PROGRAM :-

Candidates who have passed FCPS Part – I in January 2005 and afterwards will require certificates of:-

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

Or

Four years training in the respective subject

Out of 04 years training, candidates having MD/MS of DU or BSMMU in January 2005 and afterwards will get 02 years training exemption from 04 years training in respective speciality. They will require one year training after having those qualifications. They have to enroll with BCPS for the training and have to do a dissertation.

III-B (a) Medicine (with 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 (NICR)

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 IIIB(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 IIIB(a)(i)

- (ii) One year academic course.

III-B (b) Medicine (without course) :-

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 IIIB(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 IIIB(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 IIIB(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 IIIB(a)(i)



c) **Surgery (with 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 IIIB(c)(i)

(ii) One year academic Course

d) **Surgery (without course) :-**

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 IIIB(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 IIIB(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 IIIB(c)(i)

e) **Obst. & Gynae. (with course) :-**

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) Feoto-Maternal Medicine, (2) Gynaecological Oncology and (3) Reproductive Endocrinology & Infertility

(ii) one year academic course

f) **Obst. & Gynae (without course) :-**

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 IIIB(e)(i)

g) **Paediatrics (with 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 and (6) Paediatric Neurology & Development.

Or

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

(ii) one year academic Course

h) **Paediatrics (without 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 IIIB(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 IIIB(g)(i)

i) **For the remaining subjects (with course):-**

(i) Three years training in respective subject

(ii) One year academic course



Exceptions:-

1. In case of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

(i) Three years training in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Or

Two & half year training in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

and

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

(ii) One year academic course

2. In case of Dermatology & Venereology

(i) One year training in Medicine

and

(ii) Two years training in Dermatology & Venereology

It is noted that DDV qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get six months training exemption from the total period of training in Dermatology & Venereology.

(iii) One year academic course

3. In case of Anaesthesiology

i) 03 years training in Anaesthesiology

It is noted that DA qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get one year training exemption from three years training in Anaesthesiology.

iii) One year academic course.

4. In case of Haematology

i) One year training in Medicine

and

ii) Two years training in Haematology

iii) One year academic course

j) For the remaining subjects (without course):-

Four years training in respective subject

Exceptions:-

1. In case of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

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

It is noted that DDV qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get six months training exemption from the total period of training in Dermatology & Venereology

3. In case of Anaesthesiology

i) Four years training in Anaesthesiology

It is noted that DA qualified candidates from any university recognized by BMDC and BCPS will get one year training exemption from the total four years training in Anaesthesiology.

4. In case of Haematology

i) One year training in Medicine

and

ii) Three years training in Haematology

NOTE: OUT OF 04 YEARS TRAINING, 02 YEARS TRAINING MUST BE AFTER FCPS – I



Guideline for Dissertation 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. For FCPS (Sub-speciality) Examinations in 25 Specialized subjects:-

Eligibility Criteria:-

- i) Those who have passed FCPS Part - I examination in specialized subject and Preliminary FCPS Part-II examination in relevant general subject.
- 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) (a) Candidates having FCPS in relevant general subjects and MD, MS in relevant general subjects and sub-speciality from DU or BSMMU will 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 they will have to enroll with BCPS as trainee.

- (b) 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 and MD/MS from D.U. or BSMMU in relevant general subjects.
- iv) (a) A dissertation / thesis prepared during the sub-specialty training period and accepted by the appropriate authority of BCPS.
- (b) Passing of the dissertation/thesis will be considered as a prerequisite for appearing in the final examination.
- (c) Dissertation/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 dissertation/Thesis must be submitted along with 3 hard copies.
- (d) The FCPS and MD, MS qualified candidates from D.U. and BSMMU will also have to do a Thesis/dissertation as per BCPS rules.

- N. B. :-**
- (1) Dissertation/Thesis which is already accepted for any other post-graduate qualification will not be considered.
 - (2) It is to be noted that attending the training program on “How to Write a Dissertation” is not mandatory for the FCPS, MD, MS qualified candidates.



For MCPS Examination:-

Eligibility Criteria:

- (i) Must have to complete at least 4 years after graduation.
- (ii) One year training in the respective subject in an Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS.

Exceptions: - One year training format in (1) Dental Surgery and (2) Family Medicine is as follows:-

(1) Dental Surgery:-

- (a) One year training in any one of the following subjects of Dentistry:-
 - (i) Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopaedic
 - (ii) Prosthodontics
 - (iii) Conservative Dentistry and
 - (iv) Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.

Or

- (b) 06 months training in any two of the following subjects of Dentistry:-
 - (i) Orthodontic and Dentofacial Orthopaedic
 - (ii) Prosthodontics
 - (iii) Conservative Dentistry and
 - (iv) Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.

(2) Family Medicine:-

Out of 01 (one) year training: (i) 06 months training in Medicine and (ii) 06 months training in any one of the following subjects:- a) Surgery b) Obst. & Gynae. c) Paediatrics

Note: Internship training will not be accepted in MCPS examination.

Note:

1. 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, Clinical, Oral & Practical part of examinations. This rule will be effective from July 2016 examinations.
2. 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 from January 2017 examinations for the candidates who will enter the fellowship program and pass FCPS Part-I in January, 2017 Examination and afterwards.
3. An examinee cannot apply for more than one examination in a particular session (January/July). This rule will be effective from July 2016 examinations.
4. **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.

5. A certificate of training for a period of less than 6 (six) months at a time will not be accepted.
6. During submission of enrolment 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 2016. But they will have to submit final training/ course completion certificate from the authority issued on or after 15 December 2016. This certificate must be submitted to the College by 20 December 2016. Otherwise they will not get Admit Card for the examination.
7. 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 will be effective for the candidate who passed FCPS-I in July 2013 and afterwards.
8. The Honorary training in District Sadar Hospital will not be accepted for FCPS and MCPS examinations (with effect from January 2010).
9. 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 trainer & countersigned by the Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS. Out of 100 operations 25 should be major.
10. 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 trainer & 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 trainer & countersigned by the Head of the Institute/Hospital recognized by BCPS.
11. Writing "FCPS Part I" or "FCPS Part II" etc. in their prescription pad, card or such without passing FCPS Final examination are liable to punitive action as per College rule.
12. For further information please contact with the College office.

(Professor Md. Abdul Jalil Chowdhury)

Honorary Secretary

Bangladesh College of Physicians and Surgeons (BCPS).