

CFPS ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES 2020

REGISTRATION FOR
GDFM, CCHP & FCFPS
OPENS ON
4 MAY 2020
AND CLOSES ON
12 JUNE 2020

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GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN FAMILY MEDICINE

GDFM

GDFM is a structured training certification programme jointly organised by College of Family Physicians Singapore (CFPS) and The Division of Graduate Medical Studies (DGMS).

GDFM is a 2 years comprehensive and structured training programme for primary care doctors. It consists of 8 Family Medicine Modular Courses (FMMC), 1 elective and 3 compulsory Family Practice Skills Course (FPSC), 3 Practice Management Courses and Clinical Revision Course (Mock Exam).

The aim is to train primary care doctors to practise family medicine at an enhanced level to meet the needs of the child, adolescent, adult and elderly patient.

Eligibility

Candidates must possess the following in order to be eligible to register for the GDFM programme:

1. A basic degree of the MBBS or equivalent qualification registered with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC)
2. **Full** or **Conditional** registration with SMC; temporary registered practitioners must support their applications with a letter of recommendation from their HOD. Provisional registration doctors are not eligible to apply.
3. Must have 1 full year of working experience in Singapore at point of course application.
4. Must fulfil CME requirements
5. Must hold a current and valid practicing certificate.
6. Must have 20 active clinical hours per week

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CERTIFICATE IN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL PRACTICE (CCHP)

CCHP

Certificate in Community Hospital Practice is a new programme organised by College of Family Physicians Singapore (CFPS).

It is a structured programme designed to train doctors to provide care to patients in the community hospital at an enhanced level. The training consists of:

1. 80 clinical hours
2. Compulsory FPSC on Complex Care
3. Formative assessments
4. Summative assessments

Eligibility

Candidates must possess the following in order to be eligible to register for the CH programme:

1. Present trainees currently under GDFM programme or GDFM certificate holders or doctors registered on the Family Physicians Register
2. **Full** or **Conditional** registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). Provisional registration doctors are not eligible to apply.
3. Must hold a current and valid practising license issued by Singapore Medical Council (SMC)
4. Must fulfill CME requirements.

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MASTER OF MEDICINE IN FAMILY MEDICINE

**Please refer to Page 25 for more information on the revisions in
MMed(FM) College Programme*

MMed(FM) College Programme

The MMed(FM) College Programme is a 22-month structured training programme tailored for GDFM graduates who wish to proceed to Masters level training. The course will consist of fortnightly sessions in the evenings and Saturday afternoons that comprise tutorials, workshops, clinical bedside teaching and mock sessions with role play. This will involve both centralised large group and decentralised small group teaching. There will also be a preceptorship component and a practice audit. Trainees will find the practice audit useful in helping them formulate quality

improvement processes to enhance patient care outcomes. Each trainee is attached to a supervisor assigned by CFPS.

Aims & Objectives

The aim of this course is to provide a comprehensive and structured training programme for doctors with at least 6 years' experience after graduation and have completed the 8 modules of the Family Medicine Modular Course (FMMC) to prepare them to sit for the MMed (FM) Examinations.

MASTER OF MEDICINE IN FAMILY MEDICINE (cont'd)

Eligibility

Registration with SMC	To have full or conditional registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC)
Training	Have passed the Graduate Diploma in Family Medicine (GDFM) examination not more than 5 years prior to application OR Have attained MRCGP(UK)
Work Experience	At least six years of experience after graduation of which at least one year must be in a Family Medicine setting. Make up attachments may be required to make up for the shortfall in this experience

Clinical Work during Training	The trainee is required to be in current practice of 24 clinical hours per week, of which 8 must be in an approved Family Medicine setting
Clinical Inspection & Interview	This may be conducted when required to assess the suitability of the practice and candidate for MMed(FM) training

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FAMILY MEDICINE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME (ADVANCED SPECIALTY TRAINING IN FAMILY MEDICINE)

Fellowship [FCFP(S)] by Assessment

The Fellowship [FCFP(S)] by Assessment is awarded to candidates who successfully completes the 24-month Advanced Specialty Training (AST) programme in Family Medicine conducted by the College and passes the Fellowship Summative Exit Examination. The programme is offered to doctors who have successfully completed basic structured family medicine training in an approved training programme, namely the Master of Medicine (Family Medicine) [MMed(FM)] at the National University of Singapore or its equivalent.

The structured programme serves to enhance and complement the trainee's own sphere of clinical experience and practice. It consists of didactic lectures, small group discussion and presentations, workshops and seminars, direct supervision and self-directed learning.

Aims

The aims of the programme are to:

- Provide structured advanced directed and self-initiated learning
- Provide supervision and mentorship for the advanced clinical practice of family/community medicine
- Provide a framework for the education and research in the practice of family medicine

On attaining the Fellowship (FCFP(S)) by Assessment, the candidate will be able to function as a consultant in the following essential roles of a family physician:

1. Family Medicine Expert
2. Communicator
3. Collaborator
4. Manager
5. Health advocate
6. Scholar
7. Professional

Eligibility

1) Professional & Academic Qualifications

The applicant must fulfil the following entry requirements:

- Possess the MMed (Family Medicine), Singapore and is a current Ordinary Member of the College of Family Physicians Singapore. ^{1, 2}

OR

- Possess the MCFP(S), and is a current Collegiate Member of the College of Family Physicians Singapore

2) Clinical Practice

- Currently in active clinical practice i.e. 24 clinical hours per week, of which 8 hours must be in a family medicine setting as defined by the College Constitution.
 - a) Ambulatory care in the community
 - b) Intermediate care in the community hospitals and rehabilitation centres
 - c) Long term care in the nursing homes, residential care and home based care
 - d) Hospice and home based end-stage diseases care
 - e) Interface care which is care within acute hospitals in the interface with the other settings

3) Letter of Good standing

- Submit a letter of good standing from a Fellow of the College of Family Physicians Singapore together with the application form.

¹ Existing Non-Members can apply to be an Ordinary Member of the College of Family Physicians Singapore at the point of the programme application. Enrolment into the programme is subjected to the approval of the College Membership.

² Before admission to the Summative Exit Examination, a candidate with MMed (Family Medicine), Singapore will need to be a Collegiate Member of the College of Family Physicians, Singapore [MCFP(S)] by Election.

The trainee must apply and sit for the Summative Exit Examination after completing the advanced specialty training programme and not later than 4 years from the year of enrolment into the programme. If the trainee does not successfully pass the Summative Exit Examination by then, he/she is expected to re-apply and restart the AST programme.

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