



SRI LANKA MEDICAL COUNCIL

Notice to the Public

**MAKE NO MISTAKE
ABOUT YOUR FUTURE
MEDICAL / DENTAL CAREER**

The Sri Lanka Medical Council (SLMC) decided to focus the attention of the public on certain misleading advertisements and advertorials in the local media (print/electronic) pertaining to the recruitment of students for local and foreign medical and dental schools. Such advertisements / advertorials are calculated to induce students to join institutions which are **NOT RECOGNIZED BY THE SLMC**. They also entice students who **DO NOT FULFIL THE MANDATORY ENTRY CRITERIA** specified by the SLMC to enroll in medical/dental courses abroad.

In this context, the SLMC hereby definitively instructs prospective medical/dental students seeking admission to medical/dental schools foreign or local, to verify the following from the Registrar of the SLMC:

1. Whether the medical/dental school awarding the relevant degree is recognized by the SLMC.
2. Whether prospective students possess the mandatory educational entry qualifications stipulated by the SLMC to follow courses in medicine/dentistry which are two credit passes and one simple pass in the Biology stream in one and same sitting with following subjects Biology, Chemistry and Physics at the GCE (Advanced Level). For Edexcel GCE (Advanced Level) or Cambridge GCE (Advanced Level) two 'C's and one 'D' in the Biology stream in one and same sitting for the same subjects.

For this purpose they must submit the original certificate of the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) or equivalent examination to the SLMC and obtain an **eligibility certificate** from the Registrar, SLMC to study medicine/dentistry before commencing their studies.

Please note that the Foundation Courses conducted by various Institutions and Medical Schools are **NOT** considered equivalent to the GCE (Advanced Level) in Sri Lanka.

BE INFORMED THAT IT IS A PUNISHABLE OFFENCE FOR A PERSON TO PRACTISE MEDICINE, SURGERY OR DENTISTRY WITHOUT VALID SLMC REGISTRATION.

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