

NATIONAL POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL COLLEGE OF NIGERIA
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR EXAMINATION/PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT

A. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR QUALIFYING CANDIDATES FOR PARTS I AND II FELLOWSHIP EXAMINATION

1. Properly Completed Application Forms should have the following documents attached:
 - i. Certificate of Training which is **valid for TWO years/maximum of 4 consecutive Examinations. However, form should be freshly completed and signed for each examination.**
 - ii. Certificate/Evidence of payment of **FULL REGISTRATION** with the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria. (This applies to Primary Examination from September 2013 Fellowship Examination).
 - iii. **ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT:** Two positive reports are required. For Candidates no longer in training, such candidates **MUST** still obtain a report from their training Institution.
 - iv. College Receipts for Associate Fellowship Annual Subscription.
 - v. All other documents specified in the form/by Faculty even if they have been submitted previously.
2. **Training period for candidates:** College recognizes training commenced after passing Primary examination AND registering as an Associate Fellow. This is a minimum of **24 months** before which they can sit for Part I examination.

Faculty approved duration of training as follows:

S/N	FACULTY	JUNIOR RESIDENCY	SENIOR RESIDENCY
1	ANAESTHESIA	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
2	DENTAL SURGERY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 36 MONTHS
3	GEN. DEN. PRACTICE	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
4	FAMILY MEDICINE	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
5	OBST. & GYNAE.	MINIMUM OF 30 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
6	OPHTHALMOLOGY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
7	PAEDIATRICS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
8	PATHOLOGY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
9	INTERNAL MEDICINE	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 36 MONTHS
10	PSYCHIATRY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
11	PUBLIC HEALTH	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
12	RADIOLOGY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
13	OTO-RHINO-LARYN.	MINIMUM OF 36 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS
14	ORTHOPAEDICS	MINIMUM OF 30 MONTHS	MINIMUM OF 30 MONTHS
15	SURGERY	MINIMUM OF 24 MONTHS	36 MONTHS except CARDIOTHORACIC & NEUROSURGERY with new Curriculum – 48 MONTHS

3. **Update/Revision Course: as specified by Faculty, but minimum time validity** should be anytime in the preceding year.
4. **Incomplete Registration:** Any part of the form incompletely filled or failure to attach required documents leads to outright disqualification from the Examination.
5. **Certificate of Exemption:** candidates would be eligible to apply for examination one year after exemption from Primary is granted by Senate. This is in addition to minimum of 24 months postings as reflected in the Certificate of Training.
6. From Sept/Oct/Nov 2013, The DECLARATION section of all Examination forms will be modified such that candidates will in addition to stating that all information given is true, also declare that they have read and understood the Guidelines to Examination, and then sign.

B. PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT

1. ALL Faculties to nominate TWO assessors for each proposal. After 4 weeks, if 1 or no report is received, the Faculty Secretary and Chairman to be informed. They either do the assessment or nominate another assessor(s) whose report must come in within another 4 weeks. Therefore all reports should reach the College within 8 weeks.
2. Submission of four spiral bound copies and soft copy of the proposal
3. **The Ethical Clearance** from candidate's training Institution MUST be received in College before the proposal is sent for nomination of assessor
4. The supervisor(s), one of whom must be a fellow of \geq five years if more than 1 and Head of Department MUST sign designated portions.
5. Research Methodology certificate is NOT a requirement for proposal assessment (It is a requirement for part II Examination in addition to Health Resources Management Course certificate).
6. Candidates can apply for part II only after a minimum of 1 year after proposal assessment approval is obtained.
7. Candidate should refer to Faculty guidelines for further information.
8. ALL Faculties MUST submit proposals henceforth.