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Subject: Advisory regarding Completion of 12 Months of Internship by Medical Graduates commencing on/after 01 April 2020 in view of extraordinary situation due to the outbreak of COVID-19 Pandemic-Reg.

It is brought to the attention of all concerned that the Regulation on Graduate Medical Education, 1997 as regards "Internship" in Regulation 14 (5) inter alia provides as under:-

(ii) Every candidate shall be required after passing the final MBBS examination to undergo compulsory rotational internship to the satisfaction of College authorities and Universities concerned for a period of 12 months so as to be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) and full registration.

2. Further concerning "Assessment of Internship" these Regulation 14 (6) inter alia provides as under:-

i) The intern shall maintain a record of work which is to be verified and certified by the medical officer under whom he works. Apart from scrutiny of the record of work, assessment and evaluation of training shall be undertaken by an objective approach using situation tests in knowledge, skills and attitude during and at the end of the training. Based on the record of work and date of evaluation, the Dean/Principal shall issue certificate of satisfactory completion of training, following which the University shall award the MBBS degree or declare him eligible for it.

3. Furthermore, it is brought to attention of all concerned that Regulation 8 (3) of the Postgraduate Medical Education Regulations, 2000 provides as under:-

8 (3) Every student, selected for admission to a post-graduate medical course in any of the medical institutions on acquiring MBBS Degree or an equivalent qualification thereto shall have obtained permanent registration with the Medical Council of India, or any of the State Medical Council(s) or shall obtain the same within a period of one month from the date of his/her admission, failing which his/her admission shall stand cancelled.

4. The academic session for postgraduate broad speciality courses in all Medical Colleges/Medical Institutions falling under the purview of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 commences from 1st May of every academic year. A candidate who has qualified the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test in order to be considered for admission to postgraduate courses, in accordance with the Scheme of Online 50% All India Quota PG Counselling: 2020-21 concerning completion of Internship requires:

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- v. Internship Completion Certificate/Certificate from the Head of Institution or College that the candidate shall complete the Internship by 31st March, of the year of admission.
- vi. Permanent / provisional Registration Certificate issued by MCI or DCI/State Medical or Dental Council. Provisional Registration Certificate is acceptable only in cases where candidate is undergoing internship and likely to complete the same on or before 31st March of the year of admission.
5. It has come to the notice of the BoG that after passing final MBBS examination some MBBS students could not join the internship in time, or could not obtain provisional registration with the State Medical Council or the internship was interrupted after start due to Covid-19 pandemic. Therefore, the Board of Governors in supersession of MCI has decided that 12 months compulsory rotating internship can be completed by such students within 30th April, 2021. The total duration of the internship shall be 12 months only irrespective of the date of commencement. Such candidates will also be eligible to appear in PG NEET 2021 for admission in PG courses.
6. Further, the Dean/Principal/Medical Superintendent of the concerned Medical Colleges/Medical Institutions are advised for providing hands-on training to the Interns for tackling the COVID 19 Pandemic.


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