

CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION AS A DERMATOLOGIST

CATEGORY A

1. Fully Registered with the Malaysian Medical Council with current Annual Practicing Certificate (APC), AND
2. Possess any of the following postgraduate qualifications in Dermatology:
 - 2.1 Advanced Master in Dermatology (UKM)*
 - 2.2 American Specialty Board in Dermatology
 - 2.3 Fellow of the Australian College of Dermatologists (FACD)
Member of the Australian College of Dermatologists (MACD)
 - 2.4 Any postgraduate qualification in Dermatology involving 3 years fulltime of Internal Medicine and at least 3 years of structured residency training in Dermatology deemed equivalent to any of the above qualifications by the Executive Committee of the *Persatuan Dermatologi Malaysia (PDM)* with the concurrence of the Dermatology Specialty Subcommittee of the National Credentialing Committee (NCC)

*Entry requirement for Advanced Master in Dermatology is a recognized postgraduate qualification in Medicine

OR

CATEGORY B

1. Fully Registered with the Malaysian Medical Council with current Annual Practicing Certificate (APC), AND
2. Possess any of the following postgraduate qualifications in Internal Medicine
 - 2.1 MRCP
 - 2.2 Fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Physicians (FRACP)
 - 2.3 M.Med Internal Medicine (UM, UKM, USM)
 - 2.4 Any other postgraduate qualification in Internal Medicine deemed to be equivalent to any of the above qualifications by the *National Credentialing Committee (NCC)*.

3. Has fulfilled the following training requirements:

3.1 Has undergone three years of full time training under a *Senior Dermatologist in an organized Skin Unit (*Senior Dermatologist refers to a Consultant Dermatologist with at least 5 years experience of Dermatology)

3.1.1 Of the three years training, at least 1 year is to be done after obtaining the postgraduate qualification

- The training should include clinical dermatology (with inpatient and outpatient care), venereology (sexually transmitted diseases) and leprosy
- The centre should have supportive facilities in histopathology, immunology, microbiology and mycology, and library facilities

3.1.2 The Diploma of Dermatology from St. John's Institute of Dermatology, University Of London, can be considered as 1 year of training

3.1.3 Training done overseas may be considered on a case to case basis as defined in 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 above.

To qualify for registration as a Dermatologist, a candidate needs to fulfill any of the following requirements:

**Category A (criteria 1 and 2), OR
Category B (criteria 1,2,3)**

Additional Requirements:

In line with the NSR General Guidelines for credentialing, the acceptability of an applicant does not depend solely upon possession of the required academic qualification and training but also upon information received by the Dermatology Specialty Subcommittee (SSC) regarding professional maturity, clinical judgement, technical capabilities and ethical standing. The applicant must be medically fit and of good character.

Special Assessment:

The SSC may conduct an assessment on the applicant to ascertain that the applicant possesses the appropriate knowledge and competence to practice as an independent specialist in Dermatology. This may be in the forms of interviews and/or a formal exit examination.

Notwithstanding the above, the SSC may stipulate any conditions, including additional training or work experience, on the applicant if deemed necessary.

*Revised by:
Specialty Subcommittee of Dermatology
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