SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

INTERNAL MEDICINE PHARMACY

Final Written Examination

Examination Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship final written examination shall consist of one paper with 80-120 Single Best Answer MCQs. 10% unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.

Passing Score:

The passing score is 70%. If the percentage of candidates passing the examination before final approval is less than 70%, the passing score must be lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or 65% passing score whichever comes first. Under no circumstances can the passing score be reduced below 65%.
Suggested References:

3. Pharmacotherapy (Dipiro), Latest edition
4. Internal Medicine: A Guide to Clinical Therapeutics
5. Updated guidelines for management of chronic diseases including but not limited to diabetes, hypertension and asthma/COPD

Note:

This list includes latest published guidelines before July 2023, and it is intended for use as a study aid only. SCFHS does not intend the list to imply endorsement of these specific references, nor are the exam questions necessarily taken solely from these sources.
Blueprint Outlines:

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- ¹Allergy/Immunology and adult immunization: including urticaria, rhinitis and eczema
- ²Cardiovascular/ Pulmonary: including Asthma, COPD, hypertension, heart failure, pulmonary embolism, DVT
- ³Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism: including diabetes, thyroid disorders, adrenal gland disorders, pituitary gland disorders, dyslipidemia, osteoporosis, osteoarthritis
- ⁴Gastrointestinal/Hepatology: including peptic ulcer disease, GERD, inflammatory bowel disease, hepatitis
- ⁵Neuropsychiatry: including stroke
- ⁶Rheumatology and Renal: including rheumatoid arthritis, renal failure.

**Note:**
- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/−5% in each category.
- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. See the SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.
- Research, Ethics, Professionalism and Patient Safety are incorporated within various domains.
- Results will be published within 14 business days following the last date of your examination.