

SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

ADDICTION PSYCHIATRY

Promotion Examination

Written Examination Format:

- A written examination shall consist of one paper with not less than 100 MCQs with a single best answer (one correct answer out of four options). Up to 10% of unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.
- The examination shall contain type K2 questions (interpretation, analysis, reasoning, and decision-making) and type K1 questions (recall and comprehension).
- The examination shall include basic concepts and clinical topics relevant to the specialty.
- Clinical presentation questions include history, clinical findings, and patient
 approach. Diagnosis and investigation questions; include the possible
 diagnosis and diagnostic methods. Management questions; including
 treatment and clinical management, either therapeutic or nontherapeutic, and
 complications of management. Materials and Instruments questions;
 including material properties, usage, and selection of instruments and
 equipment used. Health maintenance questions; include health promotion,
 disease prevention, risk factors assessment, and prognosis.



Passing Score:

The trainee's performance is assessed in each of the evaluation formulas according to the following scoring system:

Score	Less than 50%	50% - 59.4%	60% - 69.4%	More than 70%
Description	Clear Fail	Borderline Fail	Borderline Pass	Clear Pass

- 1. To upgrade the trainee from a training level to the next level, she/he must obtain at least a Borderline Pass in each evaluation form.
- 2. The program director may recommend to the local supervision committee to request the promotion of the trainee who did not meet the previous promotion requirement according to the following:
 - A. In case the trainee gets a **Borderline Fail** result in one of the evaluation forms, the remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least one of them.
 - B. In case the trainee gets a **Borderline Fail** result in two of the evaluation forms to a maximum, provided they do not fall under the same theme (Knowledge, Attitude, Skills). The remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least two of them.
 - C. The promotion must be approved in this case by the scientific council for the specialization.



Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Scientific Foundation of Addiction Psychiatry & Genetics	7%
2	Behavior	8%
3	Pharmacology of Psychoactive Substances	10%
4	Neurobiology of Addiction	10%
5	Patient Evaluation	10%
6	Patient Screening & Laboratory Testing	8%
7	Comprehensive Assessment and Diagnosis	10%
8	Psychopharmacology in Addiction	10%
9	Psychotherapy and Psychosocial Treatment	11%
10	System-based Addiction Practice & Legal Issues in Addiction Psychiatry	8%
11	Public Health and Prevention, Public Policy, and Health Services	8%
	100%	

Notes:

- 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.



Suggested References:

- 1. The ASAM Principles of Addiction Medicine, 6th edition.
- 2. ASAM Criteria, 3rd Edition Textbook.
- 3. The ASAM Essentials of Addiction Medicine, 3rd edition
- 4. Textbook of Substance Abuse Treatment (American Psychiatric Publishing) 6th edition.
- 5. Motivational interviewing: helping people change, 3rd edition
- 6. Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Text Revision Dsm-5-tr, 5th edition.

Crash Courses:

 Outline of each course including suggested reading references given by the provider.

Note:

This list 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.

