



## SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

### PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY

#### Final Examination

##### Exam Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diploma final examination shall consist of one paper with 80-120 single best answer Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs). Up to 10% unscored MSQs can be added for calibration purposes.

##### Passing Score:

The passing score is 70%. However, 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:**

1. Textbook of Pediatric Neurosurgery by Concezio Di Rocco, D. Pang, JT Ruthka, Springer 2020
2. Principles and Practice of Pediatric Neurosurgery by A. Leland Albright, Ian F. Pollack, et al. 2015 Thieme
3. Handbook of Pediatric Neurosurgery by George I. Jallo, Karl Kothbauer, Violette Recinos, Thieme 2018
4. Controversies in Pediatric Neurosurgery by George I. Jallo, Karl F. Kothbauer, Gustavo Pradilla, Thieme 2011
5. Pediatric Neurosurgery Board Review: A Comprehensive Guide by Nir Shimony, George Jallo, Springer 2023
6. Pediatric Neurosurgery: Tricks of the Trade by Alan R. Cohen, Thieme 2016
7. Common Neurosurgical Conditions in the Pediatric Practice: Recognition and Management by Jeffrey P. Greenfield, Caroline B. Long, Springer 2017

### **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.





### Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Head trauma and critical care	8%
2	Pediatric spine and peripheral nerves	7%
3	CNS congenital anomalies	20%
4	Hydrocephalus	10%
5	Neuro-oncology	20%
6	Neuro-vascular	10%
7	Epilepsy and Function Neurosurgery	10%
8	Basic neurosciences (anatomy, physiology, pathology,...) and Neuroradiology, Neuropathology	15%
<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>

### 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.

