SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

CLINICAL PHARMACY CARDIOLOGY

Final Written Examination

Examination Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship final written examination shall consist ofone 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 mustbe lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or65% passing score whichever comes first. Under no circumstances can the passing score be reduced below 65%.

Blueprint Outline:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Acute care cardiology[1]	22%
2	Medical cardiology[2]	24%
3	Cardiac devices and heart transplantation[3]	10%
4	Preventive cardiovascular medicine[4]	8%
5	Surgical cardiology[5]	15%
6	Ambulatory care cardiology[6]	15%
7	Interventional cardiology[7]	6%
Total		100%

[1] Acute care cardiology: including acute coronary syndrome, arrhythmias, acute decompensated heart failure, cardiogenic shock.

[2] Medical cardiology: including ischemic heart disease, heart failure, valvular heart disease and endocarditis, pulmonary hypertension and anticoagulation.

[3] Cardiac devices and heart transplantation: including ventricular assist devices, intra-aortic balloon pump, ECMO, Implantable cardioverter defibrillator/pacemakers.

[4] Preventive cardiovascular medicine: including dyslipidemia, diabetes and hypertension.

[5] Surgical cardiology: including CABG, valve and shunts.

[6] Ambulatory care cardiology: including anticoagulation and heart failure, HT, dyslipidemia, general cardiology.

[7] Interventional cardiology: including stenting and TAVI.

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.

Suggested References:

1. ESC Updated Guidelines
2. AHA/ACC Updated Guidelines
3. Braunwald's Heart Disease: A Textbook of Cardiovascular Medicine
4. ECGs Made Easy by Barbara J Aehlert
5. Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof.
6. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. Ghaiath MA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition.
7. Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.

Note:

This list includes the suggested guidelines that can be reviewed by June 2026, 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.