SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

CLINICAL PHARMACY AMBULATORY CARE

Final Examination

Exam Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diplomas 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%.

Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1.	Chronic Cardiovascular Diseases[1]	20%
2.	Chronic Pulmonary Diseases[2]	15%
3.	Endocrinology[3]	25%
4.	Thromboembolic Disease and Anticoagulation Therapy	20%
5.	Rheumatology and Bone Disorders[4]	10%
6.	Geriatrics care[5]	10%
Total		**100%**

[1]**Cardiovascular:** Including but not limited to: Hypertension, heart failure, stable ischemic heart disease, dyslipidemia and atrial fibrillation

[2]**Pulmonary:** Including but not limited to: Asthma, COPD, smoking cessation and TB.

[3]**Endocrinology:** Including but not limited to: diabetes, thyroid disorders, obesity

[4]**Rheumatology and bone disorders:** Including but not limited to: rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, gout and osteoporosis.

[5]**Geriatrics care:** including but not limited to geriatric syndrome (dementia, falls, polypharmacy) and safe medication use.

Notes:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-5% in each section.
- 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.

Suggested References:

1. Pharmacotherapy (Dipiro), Latest edition
2. Applied Therapeutics, The Clinical Use of Drugs. 12th Edition
3. Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine 20th ed.
4. Updated guidelines for management of chronic diseases including but not limited to diabetes, hypertension and asthma/COPD
5. ACCP Ambulatory Care Pharmacist Survival Guide, 4th Edition
6. ASHP Guidelines Minimum Standard for Ambulatory Care Pharmacy Practice
7. Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. Ghaiath MA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition.
8. Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.
9. Deprescribing algorithms (deprescribing.org)
10. Geriatric Pharmacotherapy

Note:

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