

SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

ADULT INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Final Written Examination

Examination Format:

The Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diplomas final written examination shall consist of one paper with 80-120 multiple-choice questions (single best answer out of four options). 10 unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.

Passing Score:

- 1. The passing score is 70%.
- 2. 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	Bacterial Diseases	23%
2	Human Immunodeficiency Virus and Sexually Transmitted Infections	10%
3	Clinical Microbiology and Antimicrobial Therapy	11%
4	Viral Diseases	9%
5	Mycobacterial Infections	10%
6	Parasites, Tropical and Zoonotic Infections	9%
7	Immunology and Vaccination	6%
8	Transplant, Immunocompromised Host and Fungal Infections	15%
9	Infection Control/Epidemiology/Bioterrorism/Emerging Pathogens	7%
Total		100%

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.



Suggested References:

- 1. Mandel, Douglas and Bennett Principles and Practice of Infectious Diseases, latest Edition.
- 2. Sanford Guide to Antimicrobial Therapy, latest Edition.
- 3. Guidelines (IDSA, WHO, CDC, DHHS, and AST).
- 4. Textbook of Diagnostic Microbiology, latest Edition.
- 5. Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, latest Edition.
- 6. American Society of Microbiology (ASM). Manual of Clinical Microbiology.
- 7. Saudi MOH/ Public Health Authority Infectious Diseases Guidelines.
- 8. The APIC Text of Infection Control and Epidemiology, latest edition.

Note:

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