

SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

CLINICAL PHARMACY DRUG INFORMATION

Final Written Examination

Examination Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship final written examination shall consist of one 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 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 Outline:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Drug information Practice ¹	13%
2	Drug information resources ²	15%
3	Formulary Management and medication use policies ³	20%
4	Evidence-based-medicine and literature evaluation	15%
5	Medication use evaluations	15%
6	Medication Misadventures ⁴	10%
7	Medication management accreditation requirements	12%
Total		100%

¹ Drug information functions, formulation of responses, documentation, communication

² Type of literatures, resources, electronic resources, use of internet

³ P&T, medication use management, non-formulary, investigational medications, drug monograph evaluation

⁴ Medication safety, adverse drug reactions, medications errors, recalls, drug safety alerts, pharmacy informatics, risk management programs.

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. Drug information: A Guide for Pharmacists
2. ASHP related guidelines and statements
3. National hospital standards: Saudi Central Board for Accreditation of Healthcare Institution (CBAHI)
4. Joint Commission International Accreditation Standards for Hospitals including Standards for Academic Medical Center Hospitals
5. Pharmacotherapy (Dipiro), Latest edition
6. Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. GhaiathMA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition.
7. Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.

Note:

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