

## GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MENTAL HEALTH - GDMH

### AIM

The Graduate Diploma in Mental Health (GDMH), offered by the Division of Graduate Medical Studies (DGMS), National University of Singapore (NUS) in conjunction with Institute of Mental Health (IMH), aims to increase the capability of general practitioners (GPs) in mental healthcare by training them appropriately for the role to detect and treat minor mental health disorders in the community.

### DURATION

This is a 1-year part-time course.

### ELIGIBILITY

The admission requirements to the graduate diploma are:

1. a recognised basic medical degree qualification;
2. GPs who have completed housemanship or non-traditional source medical officers; and
3. GPs with an interest in Mental Health, including GPs on the Mental Health-GP Partnership Programme

### COURSE STRUCTURE

The course comprises of 6 modules as follows:

<b>MODULE 1 : Psychosis</b>	- 2 Months
<b>MODULE 2 : Mood, Anxiety and Grief</b>	- 2 Months
<b>MODULE 3 : Addiction / Personality Disorders</b>	- 2 Months
<b>MODULE 4 : Child and Adolescent Mental Health including Learning Disabilities</b>	- 2 Months
<b>MODULE 5 : Psychogeriatrics</b>	- 2 Months
<b>MODULE 6 : Personality Disorders and Psychological Therapies (New!)</b>	- 2 Months

The first month in each module comprises of weekly classroom sessions on Saturday afternoons. In the second month, candidates will self-study and complete case write-up.

The course syllabus will be covered by lectures, reading materials, video and live supervision, journal discussion, case vignettes, clinical attachment and/or self-study. Clinical attachment will be available with close supervision and guidance from IMH's doctors.

## EXAMINATION AND AWARD OF DIPLOMA

1. Graduate Diploma in Mental Health will be assessed in the following way unless otherwise stated:

- Final examination : 40%
- Continuous Assessment (CA) : 60%
- **Total Assessment** : **100%**

Continuous assessment comprises of case discussion, case write-up and module examination.

### 2. Module Examination Eligibility

Module examination is part of the continuous assessment. Candidates must complete the following assignments and/or class participation to be eligible for module examinations:

- Case write-up (for all Modules)
- 75% classroom attendance (for all Modules)
- Clinical attachments (Applicable to Modules 1, 2, 3 & 4 only)
- Participation in case discussion / case vignettes / live supervision (for all Modules)

### 3. Final Examination Eligibility

Candidates must pass all continuous assessments to be eligible for the final examination.

### 4. Award of the Graduate Diploma in Mental Health

Candidates must meet minimum passing criteria for every assessment component within each module to be considered as having passed that module. Candidates who fail to meet the minimum passing criteria for any assessment component in the module shall re-take the failed module at the next course intake. Nonetheless, candidates may re-submit a case write-up for review by the examination board within 2 weeks from notification of case write-up results. Candidates shall re-take the module in the next intake if candidates fail to re-submit case write-up or fail to meet the minimum passing criteria for the re-submission. See Table 1.

Assessment component	Component's weightage	Minimum passing criteria
<b>Continuous Assessment (CA)</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>30%</b>
~ Case discussion (Part of CA)	12%	6%
~ Case write-up (Part of CA)	18%	9%
~ Module examination (Part of CA)	30%	15%
<b>Final Examination</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Total Assessment</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>50%</b>

Table 1: Minimum passing criteria for Graduate Diploma in Mental Health

Candidates who have successfully completed and passed all the 6 modules and a final examination will be awarded the Graduate Diploma in Mental Health.

## FEES

The GDMH Fees are stated below:

<b>Registration Fee</b> (non-refundable)	<b>\$107</b> (Early bird registration from Mar – 31 May 2019) <b>\$250</b> (Registration fee received by IMH from 1 June 2019 onwards)
<b>Course Fee</b> (for all 6 modules)	<b>\$6,420</b> (MOH subsidises 80% of course fee. Course fee will be reimbursed to all candidates upon successful completion of the final exam)
<b>Exam Admin Fee</b> (for all 6 modules)	<b>\$600</b> (Exam admin fee shall be paid to National University of Singapore (NUS) separately. Successful applicants will be notified by NUS for exam admin fee payment via email. This will be an online payment)
<b>Module 1 Book Fee</b>	<b>\$70</b> (“Essential Guide to Psychiatry”)
<b>Module 2 Book Fee</b>	<b>\$15.50</b> (“Delusions, Possession or Imagination?”)
<b>Module 5 Book Fee</b>	<b>\$82.00</b> (“A Primer of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry”)

**Note:** All fees are quoted inclusive of 7% GST. NUS & IMH reserve the right to make any amendments to the course structure and fees without any prior notification or whatsoever to the parties involved.

## ONLINE APPLICATION

To apply for the Graduate Diploma in Mental Health (GDMH), please click [here](#) .

By the application closing date, you must have mailed your payment of course fee via cheque to the ‘Institute of Mental Health’ and uploaded the following documents online:

- Coloured passport-sized photographs
- Copy of Basic Medical Degree certificate, stamped ‘**certified true copy**’
- Copy of other supporting certificates, stamped ‘**certified true copy**’. This includes other postgraduate medical qualification certificates (such as Masters degrees, or other postgraduate medical diploma qualifications).
- Copy of your NRIC

Late application will not be accepted. The programme administrator is not obliged to give reasons for rejected applications. Applicants will be informed by post on the outcome of their application.

IMH and NUS reserve the right to withdraw an offer for course admission and cancel enrolment of an applicant where such offer was made on the basis of incomplete or inaccurate information supplied by the applicant.

## WITHDRAWAL

Request for withdrawal must be made in writing to the Programme Director. Policies for course fee refund are as follows:

1. 100% refund if the request for course withdrawal is made in writing more than 30 calendar days before course commencement.
2. 90% refund if the request for course withdrawal is made in writing no less than 15 calendar days before course commencement.
3. Strictly no refund of fees if request for course withdrawal is less than 15 calendar days before course commencement and/or after the course commences.

Note: Calendar days include Saturday and Sunday.

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