

Graduate Diploma in Mental Health (GDMH)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Q: Can I use the learning hours at GDMH for CME points accumulation?

A: Yes, IMH will apply a total 50 CME points for participating GPs.

Q: Are there any exemptions for GPs who have previously completed mental health training with IMH?

A: No. Module 1 exemption is no longer available after the revision of GDMH curriculum, which will take effect with the September 2019 intake.

Q: Does this programme have an attendance requirement?

A. Yes, the programme adheres to NUS' policy, which, requires students to achieve at least 75% attendance rate per module for all module lectures.

Q: How are applicants selected?

A. Applicants are selected based on eligibility criteria. To be considered for admission, please complete the online registration, upload all the required documents and make cheque payment to IMH. Decision from the admission panel is final. Late application will not be accepted. Programme administrator is not obliged to provide reasons for rejected applications. Applicants will be informed by post on the outcome of their application.

Q: How many intakes are there per year?

A. One intake per year.

Q: Is this programme available full-time and part-time?

A. This programme is only available part-time, conducted on Saturday afternoons. However, there are 4 modules offering Clinical Attachments on weekdays, during office hours. Each module's clinical attachment is about 3 hours.

Q: How are candidates assessed in the programme?

A: Candidates are assessed as follows: (unless otherwise stated):

1. Total Assessment : 100%

Final examination : 40%
Continuous Assessment : 60%

Continuous Assessment comprises:

Case write-up : 18%
Case discussion : 12%
Module examination : 30%

2. Module Examination Eligibility

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 attachment (applicable to Modules 1, 2, 3 and 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.

Q: Does this programme require any travel outside of Singapore?

A. No, the entire programme is conducted locally.

Q: Where will this programme be conducted?

A. This programme will be conducted at the Institute of Mental Health (IMH).

Q: My degree is in a country other than Singapore. Can I submit my application without the qualification and then send it in when it arrives?

A. Your submission must include all required documentation, to be submitted online by the closing date.

Q: Can I defer admission to the programme after I have been accepted, or if I am in the midst of the programme?

A. Yes, you may defer admission after you are accepted into the programme or anytime during the programme if, it is due to unforeseen circumstances. In this case, you will sit for the final exam with the next available cohort, after you have successfully cleared all the 6 modules. However, all course participants are strongly encouraged not to discontinue with the course after its commencement.

Q: What happens if I miss a module due to a work conflict?

A. Students who miss a module would need to retake the module when it is next offered, which is, with the next cohort. In this case, you will also be sitting for the final exam with that subsequent cohort.

Q: Can I withdraw after successful enrolment?

A: We do not encourage withdrawal once you have enrolled for GDMH. Request for withdrawal must be made in writing to the Programme Director, who will consider each request on a case-by-case basis. Policies for course fee refund are as follows:

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