

Important Information about October Exam for FHNO 2019-21 Fellowship

Dear Candidates for FHNO Fellowship,

We will like to update you regarding FHNO 2019-21 October 2019 Exam.

The fellowship will have two paths for training with different curricula, according to the primary qualification of the candidates. The fellows with Maxillofacial background will be trained for “**FHNO Oral Oncology Fellowship**” and will be awarded certificate for “Oral Oncology”. The fellows with other background will be trained for “**FHNO Head & Neck Fellowship**” and will be awarded certificate for “Head & Neck Oncology”.

We will like you to go to the fellowship website and have **detailed look** at each of the participating institutes. You will be able to do so by **clicking on the name of the centre**. If required we also encourage you to talk to the representatives of the institute, or visit them. It will help you to select your institutes, as you will be required to submit a primary choice list of institutes in **chronological order by September 20, 2019. Candidate will be allowed to change the list of chronology and submit updated list latest by 3 pm, October 11, 2019 via mail to fhnofellowship@gmail.com.**

Each accredited institute will form institutional rank order list of candidates, usually based on their review of application of the candidate and/or other information. These lists will be submitted to the Fellowship Committee prior to interviews, and will be kept confidential.

We will like again to clarify about entrance exam process:

The central entrance exam will be conducted on October 10 to 13 at Chennai. Please find pertinent details in the same document. It will be announced on the website as well as by personal registered mail to the candidate.

WRITTEN EXAM (October 10, 2019)

The written test will be multiple choice question (MCQ) based in a single correct option format. The questions will be limited to basic aspects of prevention, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation, surveillance and research pertaining to head and neck oncology.

The approximate distribution of the 60 questions will be:

- a) Basic sciences incl. head and neck anatomy and physiology- 10
- b) Questions on published clinical, basic and outcomes research- 10
- c) Surgical decision-making including incision, approach, resection, neck dissection and reconstruction- 15
- d) Multidisciplinary decision making e.g. adjuvant therapy- 10
- e) QoL/Rehabilitative strategies incl facial, swallowing, speech and other functional rehabilitation- 5
- f) Strategies of prevention and early detection- 5
- f) Future directions- 5

50 questions out of the 60 (and no more) must be answered. The candidates will get 90 minutes to answer the 50 chosen questions. If a candidate answers over 50 questions, the first 50 marked answers will be considered.

To accommodate the multidisciplinary applicant base, no more than 5 questions will pertain to a single site within the head and neck.

INTERVIEW (October 10, 2019)

Following the written exam, all candidates with complete applications who also answered at least 50 theory questions will be interviewed by a panel, in order of merit based on marks scored in written exam.

The interview will include general assessment, appraisal of short-term and long-term goals, and review of application materials including presentations at national meetings, publications and experience certificate/s at head and neck oncology centers.

MATCHING & SELECTION PROCESS (October 13, 2019)

The Fellowship Committee will subsequently collate the institutional and candidate rank order lists, to ensure optimal candidate selection, during this matching process. Matching during subsequent fellowship cycles will be computer-based and automated.

The final list of selected candidates will be displayed on the FHNO website.

The successfully matched candidates will have to sign the documents at the time of matching only. Once he or she has consented and signing of the document done, Candidate will not be allowed to change the decision and will have to join the institute on November 15, 2019, failing which the candidate will have to face disciplinary actions including black listing.

We encourage you to refer the website <https://fhnofellowship.org/> time and again for important updates.

As you all know according our previous communication, the entrance exam and interview will be held at Chennai.

The details are as under:

Written examination and interviews:

Date – October 10, 2019, Thursday

Time – 12 noon, onwards

Venue: Telemedicine Room, B Block, 3rd Floor, Apollo Cancer Institute, Chennai

Candidate – Institute meeting

(Institutes will give introductory presentation and candidates will be able to meet and interact with institute representatives)

Date – October 11, 2019, Friday

Time: will be specified

Venue: Hotel Leela, Chennai

Matching of candidates and Institutes:

Date – October 13, 2019, Sunday

Time: 8 AM onwards

Venue: Hotel Leela, Chennai

Please carry:

signed original application form.

originals of submitted certificates with one set of self-attested copies.

ID proof with self-attested copy.

necessary writing stuff for the exam.

Please reply to this mail confirming your presence for the exam. It is mandatory.

Candidate need to prepare a chronological list of Institutes he will like to opt for. Please note that some of the listed institutes may not have participated for the Oct 2019 cycle. Candidate can change the list of chronology and submit latest by 3 pm, October 11, 2019 via mail to fhnofellowship@gmail.com.

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