



Malaysia-Ireland Training Programme
for Family Medicine (MInTFM)



Malaysia-Ireland Training for Family Medicine (MInTFM) is a Parallel Pathway using the Irish College of General Practitioners (ICGP) curriculum for Family Medicine that is adjusted to suit the Malaysian healthcare setting. The training is similar to the Irish system with a four-year training scheme which leads to the registration as a Family Medicine Specialist on the National Specialist Register (NSR). Each trainee will work towards Membership of the Irish College of General Practitioners (MICGP), sitting exams during their training to gain membership.

Delivery of the training will take place in local schemes. The trainee will undertake two years in hospital practice and two years in family medicine clinics within the scheme. The local schemes will have flexibility in delivery, responding to local needs, whilst ensuring adherence to the national curriculum and assessments. Our four schemes are based in the Southern region, Central region, Northern region and East Malaysia.

Hospital Component

The first two years of family medicine training will take place in a hospital setting under the direction of the Training Scheme. These posts, working as a Medical Officer, are assigned to trainees by the Ministry of Health. A broad range of experience over 10 disciplines relating to family medicine is necessary for future FMS.

Training Clinic Component

Each FMS trainee will be allocated one year in 2 different Klinik Kesihatan (KK) under the supervision of a MInTFM trained trainer. The FMS trainee's experience in the training KK is fundamental to their development as a competent FMS. The trainee learns to appreciate the needs and demands of family medicine and how it differs from hospital practice, considering the many facets of health and illness in the community – physical, psychological and social. It helps establish the principles of primary care and the high standard of care delivered by the family medicine specialist. The relationship between the trainer and trainee is considered central to a satisfactory educational experience.

Educational Component

The education programme forms an essential, integral and central component of the training process. The scheme will have a day release course that provides for the development of the trainee's knowledge, skills and attitudes. This is facilitated by the Scheme Directing Team in a small group format. MInTFM uses an advanced Learning Management System (LMS), facilitating an innovative range of blended virtual and physical education activities. Well-resourced e-modules and masterclass are offered throughout each year. This integrated course takes place over the full 4-year period of training.

Course Completion

As trainees, you will be expected to fulfil two requirements before applying for registration on the National Specialist Register.

MICGP Examination

The MICGP Examination is a criterion-referenced examination which consists of two parts: the Core Knowledge Test Module (CKT) and the Clinical Competency Test (CCT). The examination is contextualised for Malaysian trainees.

Satisfactory Completion of Training

A Certificate of Satisfactory Completion of Specialist Training (CSCST) which allows entry onto the National Specialist Register will be issued on condition of notification by the training scheme. To obtain CSCST, the requirements include:

- Research to the standard required by the National Specialist Register (NSR)
- Assessment of communication skills
- Completion of all logbooks as directed by MInTFM
- 75% attendance overall

Application for automatic recognition of graduates by the National Specialist Register is underway.

Entry Requirement

Applicants must have completed two years of housemanship, and one year as a medical officer, be registered with the Malaysian Medical Council and currently employed by the Ministry of Health, either on contract or permanent basis. Applicants must also be a Malaysian Citizen or permanent resident.

Applicants must provide evidence of English ability either with a medical degree taught in English OR IELTS/OET within last 3 years.

Candidates will sit a Clinical entrance test and will undergo a structured interview before place is offered.

All applicants must also separately apply for BPL and receive approval from BPL.

MInTFM Application open Sep 2023 for our next intake July 2024

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