CRITERIA FOR REGISTRATION IN DERMATOLOGY

A doctor may apply to be registered as a Dermatologist if he/she fulfills the requirements of either Category A or Category B as follows:

1. CATEGORY A

   1.1. Medical practitioners registered with the Malaysian Medical Council

   1.2. Possess any of the following postgraduate qualifications in Dermatology:

      1.2.1. Advanced Master in Dermatology (UKM)*
      1.2.2. American Specialty Board in Dermatology
      1.2.3. Fellow or Member of the Australian College of Dermatologist (FACD/MACD)
      1.2.4. Any postgraduate qualification in Dermatology deemed equivalent to Advanced Master in Dermatology (UKM)

*Entry requirement for Advanced Master in Dermatology (UKM) is a recognized postgraduate qualification in Internal Medicine

OR

2. CATEGORY B

   2.1. Medical practitioners registered with the Malaysian Medical Council

   2.2. Possess any of the following postgraduate qualifications in Internal Medicine:

      2.2.1 Sarjana Perubatan Dalaman, Universiti Malaya
      2.2.2 Sarjana Perubatan (Perubatan Dalaman), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia
      2.2.3 Doktor Perubatan Penyakit Dalaman, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, from June 2013
      2.2.4 Sarjana Perubatan (Perubatan Penyakit Dalam), Universiti Sains Malaysia
      2.2.5 Sarjana Perubatan (Perubatan Dalaman), Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) from 6.12.2011
      2.2.6 Sarjana Perubatan (Perubatan Dalaman), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) from 1.10.2014
      2.2.7 Master of Medicine (Internal Medicine), Universiti Islam Antarabangsa (UIAM) from 9.6.2015
      2.2.8 Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians
      2.2.9 MRCP (UK) / MRCP (Ireland)
2.2.10 Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians, Canada
2.2.11 Diplomate from the American Board of Internal Medicine
2.2.12 Certificate of Specialization in Internal Medicine, University of Ghent, Belgium
2.2.13 Any other qualification apart from those listed above will be determined on a case to case basis by the NSR committee

2.3 Has fulfilled the following training requirements:

2.3.1. Has undergone three (3) years of full time training in the specialty, after obtaining the postgraduate qualifications above, under a *Senior Dermatologist in an organized Skin Unit.
(*Senior Dermatologist refers to a Consultant Dermatologist with at least 5 years experience in Dermatology)

- The training should include clinical dermatology (with inpatient and outpatient care), venereology (sexually transmitted diseases) and leprosy
- The centre should have supportive facilities in histopathology, immunology, microbiology and mycology, and library facilities

2.3.2. The Diploma of Dermatology from St. John’s Institute of Dermatology, University of London, can be considered as 1 year of training

2.3.3. Training done overseas may be considered on a case to case basis as defined in 2.3.1 and 2.3.2 above.

3. To Qualify for Registration as a Dermatologist a candidate needs to fulfill any of the following Requirements:

Category A (criteria 1.1 and 1.2), OR
Category B (criteria 2.1, 2.2. and 2.3)

4. Additional Requirements for Category A

In line with the NSR General Guidelines for Credentialing, the acceptability of an applicant does not depend solely upon possession of the required academic qualification and training but also upon information received by the Specialty Subcommittee (SSC) of Dermatology regarding professional maturity, clinical judgments, technical capabilities and ethical standing. The applicant must be medically fit and of good character.
5. **Special Assessment for Category B**

The SSC may conduct an assessment on the applicant to ascertain that the applicant possesses the appropriate knowledge and competence to practice as an independent specialist in Dermatology. This may be in the forms of:

(i) Additional training or work experience  
(ii) Interviews and/or  
(iii) Final examination of the Advanced Master of Dermatology (UKM)

6. **Applicants who have never worked in Malaysia**

Applicants who have never worked in Malaysia but deemed to be ‘registration eligible’ **may be required** to undergo an assessment period for a duration to be specified before he could be registered. The period of assessment may be from a **minimum of 3 months up to one (1) year** in an approved facility.

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