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Note:

- 1. Please read the prospectus and instructions carefully before filling the forms. Examination fees once paid will not be refunded.
- 2. If the photograph and signature uploaded along with the online application are not of the specified size and format, the form will be rejected.
- 3. Admission will be made purely based on merit of Entrance Examination and Counseling. We do not have any management quota.
- 4. It is mandatory for shortlisted candidates to appear in the counseling for final selection.
- 5. We have no agents/middlemen inside and outside the Institute for securing seats. Beware of persons claiming to provide seats by any means, whatsoever.

What attracts students and faculties at BPKIHS?

BPKIHS Academics

- BPKIHS is a leading Health Sciences University of Nepal. It is known around the globe by virtue of its innovative curricula. Every year BPKIHS gets substantial number of candidates to enroll in its academic programs.
- Its educational philosophy was conceptualized by eminent medical educationists from Nepal, India & various international communities including WHO.

International and National Perspectives of BPKIHS

- There are substantial number of Indian students studying in the institute. Indian nationals do not require any visa to enter Nepal.
- BPKIHS is an international university in a true sense. Students from the Netherlands, Australia, Belgium, Switzerland, Norway, Germany, USA, Canada and other countries visit the institute regularly for their electives and clerkship.

BPKIHS curricula are the most innovative in this region of the globe.

- The BPKIHS curricula provide optimum exposure from primary to tertiary health care system services and the training prepares them to work efficiently both within and outside the country, in urban and rural areas, and in tropical and subtropical region.
- Training/learning is partially interdisciplinary involving students of Medical, Dental, Nursing and other allied health sciences.

Research Perspective

- BPKIHS is a leading health sciences institute in Nepal.
- Amongst the medical institutes of Nepal, the faculty members at BPKIHS publish maximum number of scientific articles in national and international reputed periodicals and journals. It has made BPKIHS well known worldwide in the field of biomedical and educational research.
- BPKIHS has its own scientific journal 'Journal of B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences' (JBPKIHS).

Geographic Location, Climate, Weather and Environment

• BPKIHS is situated in Dharan - one of the cleanest cities of Nepal, an environment-friendly city surrounded by greenery. It has electricity supply round the clock even during the load-shedding hours. In addition, there are hill stations situated at half-an-hour to three-hour drive for recreation. Dharan enjoys comfortable weather round the year, which is its most unique and enjoyable feature in this region.

BPKIHS graduates

- The graduates of BPKIHS are welcomed worldwide. A substantial number of MBBS and BDS graduates go to pursue higher level training in the USA, UK, Australia and Canada. Our graduates perform well in Postgraduate Entrance Exams in Nepal, India and abroad. They are well known around the globe for their quality health service and education.
- BPKIHS graduates get attractive placements in emerging health/ medical institute of Nepal and across the globe.

Social accountability

• It has also adopted the principle of "Social Accountability" in general.

Facilities within the campus

- The campus has sufficient indoor and outdoor playgrounds (for football, cricket, basketball, golf course, tennis court, badminton etc.) along with Gym Hall.
- There are shops, canteens, post office, restaurants, banks and ATMs within the BPKIHS premises.

<u>Please note</u>

- Please read this prospectus carefully before submission of application.
- Once admitted to any of the sub-specialty courses, please keep this prospectus till you complete your course.

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1. INTRODUCTION

B.P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences (BPKIHS) was established on January 18, 1993 and subsequently upgraded to an autonomous Health Sciences University on October 28, 1998 with a mandate to work towards developing socially responsible and competent health workforce, providing health care and engaging in health research. The Institute is located in eastern Nepal and it has extended its continued health services through teaching district concept to Primary Health Care Centers, District Hospitals and Zonal Hospitals in eight districts of the region. This University is aptly named after Bishweshwar Prasad Koirala, Nepal's visionary leader in social uplifting and a firm believer of national integration.

This Institute is envisaged as one of the most successful examples of Nepal-India co-operation. The Health Ministers of the two countries signed the Indo-Nepal agreement for collaborative development of BPKIHS on the Hindu auspicious day of Mahashivaratri (March 10, 1994).

BPKIHS has a vision of a self-governing, self-reliant international Health Sciences University aiming at attracting students and teachers from all over the world to its constantly innovative educational programs. BPKIHS has also been envisioned by the Nepalese Parliament as a center of national importance to produce skilled manpower in health sector to meet the country's needs and also to function as a center of excellence in the field of tropical and infectious diseases.

BPKIHS has subspecialty, postgraduate and undergraduate programs. It has four colleges: Medical, Dental, Nursing and Public Health. Its Central Teaching Hospital has 763 beds and well established major clinical and basic sciences departments.

The **MBBS program** of BPKIHS started in 1994, is recognized by Medical Council of Nepal, India and Sri-Lanka. It is listed in the World Directory of Medical Schools published by the WHO.

The Institute started **BDS program** in 1999, which is recognized by the Nepal Medical Council. The duration of both BDS and MBBS Program is 4½ years followed by a year of Compulsory Community Oriented Residential Rotating Internship, which is mandatory and to be completed successfully at BPKIHS and its Teaching District Hospitals. This feature is new and unique in this part of the world.

Postgraduate programs (MD/MS and MSc) were started in 1999. All the MD/MS, MSc and MPH degree are recognized by respective councils of

Nepal and several MD/MS degrees (Anesthesiology, Dermatology and Venereology, Orthopedics, Pediatrics, Surgery, Radiology, Psychiatry, Otorhinolaryngology, Medicine, Pharmacology and Gynaecology & Obstetrics) are recognized by Medical Council of India (MCI) as well. MSc in basic sciences are available in Human Anatomy, Human Physiology, Medical Biochemistry and Medical Microbiology.

BSc Nursing program was started in 1996. This program is well recognized within and outside the country. All the nursing degrees are recognized by Nepal Nursing Council. There are separate college complexes for both BDS and Nursing programs in the BPKIHS campus.

The **School of Public Health** was established in 2005 and it is running a two-year **MPH program**. The **MSc Nursing Program** is running in Community Health Nursing, Psychiatry Nursing, Maternal Health Nursing, Child Health Nursing and Medical Surgical Nursing.

MDS Program has been running since 2011 in Conservative Dentistry & Endodontics, Periodontology & Oral Implantology, Pedodontics & Preventive Dentistry and Prosthodontics. From 2014, MDS program has been started in Oral Medicine & Radiology, Public Health Dentistry, Oral Pathology, Orthodontics and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery.

The allied health sciences course running at present is **BSc MIT**. In addition, BPKIHS organizes short-term academic programs/refresher courses for national and international students, doctors and faculty members. Continuing medical education on various aspects of health is a culture of BPKIHS.

PhD in different disciplines have been started from 2011. In the year 2013, the Institute started several new courses/programs as follows:

- A. **DM/MCh** courses had been started in the following subjects:
 - DM Cardiology
 - DM Gastroenterology and Hepatology
 - DM Pulmonary, Critical care and Sleep Medicine
 - DM Neonatology
 - MCh Urology
 - MCh GI Surgery
- B. Fellowship in Emergency Medicine (FEM)
- C. MD in Hospital Administration (MDHA)

This University, aiming as a center of excellence in patient care, teaching, and research in health sector follows an integrated and holistic approach in academics and services.

Situated in Dharan at the foothills having an area of about 700 acres, the University has a clean pollution free environment, and water and electricity supply round the clock. The institute is committed to its social responsibility and accountability. Candidates from disadvantaged groups are given opportunities for admission in most of the academic programs.

The Institute has innovative approaches of community-based training of students and providing services to the local people through the concept of Teaching District Hospitals (learning by doing at community level). Accordingly, students of various programs visit and/or are posted to the health institutions under faculty/specialist supervision where they get opportunity to learn in the community set-up; as well as the local health institutions get regular qualified health workforce to provide the quality services.

2. VISION, MISSION AND GOALS OF BPKIHS

Vision

BPKIHS has been visualized as

- A self-governing, self-reliant International Health Sciences University attracting students and teachers from all over the world to its constantly innovative educational programs.
- A national center for providing quality health services from tertiary to primary, and developing replicable and sustainable models of integrated health systems sensitive to the needs of both the individuals and the community living in urban as well as rural areas.
- A prestigious center for biomedical and health system research, and as a center of excellence for tropical and infectious diseases.
- A complete health development project through its teaching districts, which will catalyze an environment-friendly human development initiative resulting in enhancement in the quality of life of the people of Nepal and those working in BPKIHS to ensure a high level of commitment to excellence and dedication to service.

Mission

The main mission of BPKIHS is to improve the health status of the people of Nepal by providing holistic health care through training of compassionate, caring, communicative and socially accountable health workforce acting as agents of change and through advancement in research and innovation in service as well as education to ensure healthy individuals and families by collaborating with all stakeholders.

Goals Educational Goals

In terms of achieving the educational goals of the Institute, both the present curricula and future educational programmes are to be needbased, integrated, community-oriented and partially problem-solving in line with innovative medical education programmes epitomized in the Edinburgh Declaration of 1988. These are the basic tenets on which BPKIHS curricula are based.

In the area of service delivery, this Institute is committed to provide services not only to those coming to its teaching hospital but also to those who are not able to do so. The Institute does this by reaching out to the community that cannot reach the Institute. It is not only reaching out to the sick in the community but is committed to the active promotion of positive health and through it, improvement in the status of the community health that will serve as a measure of attainment of our service goals. The faculty at BPKIHS is expected to monitor health indicators such as Infant mortality rate, crude birth rate, crude death rate, blindness, deafness and disability rates etc. on an ongoing basis much in the same way as we monitor our individual patients in terms of established clinical parameters.

Research goals

In the field of research, high priority is accorded to the areas requiring greater attention to solve the existing and emerging health problems threatening the well-being of large population groups using multidisciplinary, integrated and problem-solving approach. Greater emphasis is placed on research which will lead to application of available knowledge for the benefit of large number of people.

S. N.	Subject	Seats available (Open)
DM		÷
1	DM Cardiology	
2	DM Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine	
3	DM Gastroenterology and Hepatology	
4	DM Neonatology	
MCh		
4	MCh GI Surgery	
5	MCh Urology	
	Total	

3. SUBJECTS AND NUMBER OF SEATS AVAILABLE FOR DM/MCh

The number of seats, subjects and category will be notified later after approval from the NMC.

Note: Selection will be based only on the merit of Entrance Examination results.

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 1. Candidates who meet the following eligibility criteria can apply for DM/MCh Entrance Examination for admission to DM/MCh.
 - a. For DM in Cardiology and Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine and Gastroenterology & Hepatalogy, a candidate must possess a Post graduate degree (MD) in Internal Medicine recognized by NMC.
 - b. For DM in Neonatology, a candidate must possess MD in Pediatrics recognized by NMC.
 - c. For MCh in GI Surgery and MCh Urology, a candidate must possess MS in General Surgery recognized by NMC.
 - d. Registered with Nepal Medical Council (NMC) for post graduate degree (Speciality Registration Certificate).

If a candidate does not fulfill the above criteria or submits false documents and sits for the entrance examination, s/he will be debarred from getting admission or will have to leave the course if false documents are found even at a later date.

5. HOW TO APPLY

1. Candidate must submit his/her application online ONLY. There is no provision for manual submission of application. Please read the prospectus carefully before proceeding to apply.

Procedure for Online Application

- Instructions to submit online application is available on the institute's website: <u>bpkihs.edu</u>, <u>entrance.bpkihs.edu</u> Follow the link provided on home page. Please read the instructions carefully before filling the online application forms.
- Scanned copies of all the original certificates/documents (as mentioned in Page. No. 6 Serial No. 5), recent color photo & signature must be uploaded along with the application as and where necessary. The full signature of the selected candidate will be verified at the time of entrance examination and admission. A photograph and digital thumbprint of the candidate will be taken during the entrance examination for verification of his/her identity and for keeping institutional record.
- Attach scanned copy of bank voucher of NPR 5,000. The forms can be submitted online only and the application must reach us by 20th June 2019.
- However, forms can be submitted with a late processing fee of NPR 2,500/- extra from the 21st to 27th June 2019.
- Once the form has been submitted, it will be scrutinized and the status of the application will be informed after 7 days.

- Candidates must bring and deposit the original bank voucher at the time of Entrance Examination to be eligible to enter into the examination center.
- Admit card will be electronically issued and can be downloaded from 2nd July 2019 following verification of the uploaded certificates, bank voucher and the application form.
- 2. The mode of payment to apply for the Entrance Examination is as follows
- i. The fee should be deposited in favor of "<u>B. P. Koirala Institute of</u> <u>Health Sciences, Dharan"</u>
- ii. The **Name and Registration ID** of the candidate should be clearly mentioned in the Bank Voucher. **Drafts will not be accepted.**
- iii. The fee can be deposited at any of the following banks.

SN	Name of the Bank	A/C No.	SWIFT Code
1.	Standard Chartered		
	Bank Nepal,	01-0256021-38	SCBLNPKA
	Biratnagar		
2.	NIC Asia Bank Limited,	2303014805524004	NICENPKA
	Dharan, Nepal	2303014603324004	
3.	Nepal SBI Bank Limited,	19035240100023	NSBINPKA
	Dharan, Nepal	19033240100025	NJDINPKA

Note: Amount deposited in accounts other than the above mentioned accounts will not be valid.

- 3. Candidates should enter their date of birth according to the English (Gregorian) calendar only.
- 4. The institute does not take any responsibility for delay or incomplete submission of application.
- Documents to be uploaded for completion of application form: Scanned copies of each of the following original documents (scanned copies of photocopies will not be accepted):
 - a. Nepal Medical Council Registration of Specialty Qualification.
 - b. Any candidate who has been working in hospitals under Ministry of Health must submit 'No Objection Letter' from the Ministry of Health at the time of application. Likewise, candidates working in other Public Institutions should also submit "No Objection Letter" from their current institution/employer. No other letters will be entertained.
 - c. Citizenship (both sides).
 - d. Bank voucher.

Note: Applications will be rejected if scanned copies of **photocopies** are uploaded.

6. Instructions for Photograph

- i) One recent passport size colored photograph, taken from 22nd
 May 2019 onwards, with light background is required.
- ii) Black & white / Polaroid photographs are **NOT** acceptable.
- iii) The photograph should be taken showing both the hands holding an A4 size placard with the name of the candidate and date of photograph taken printed on it. In case name and date are printed on the photograph after taking it, the application will be rejected.
- iv) The name and date on the photograph should be legible.



Candidate must have soft copy/digital copy of passport size photograph and save it as "Photograph Name." The size of the photograph must be between 200-500 KB.

- a. Photograph must show the face, both ears and hands clearly.
- b. Photograph should not have cap, goggles/spectacles.
- c. Originality of the photograph should not be altered.
- d. Any application received with photograph submitted other than above will be rejected.

NOTE: Candidate must upload photograph, signature and other required documents. Do not make any mistake while uploading these documents. **The scanned copy of photograph, signature and other required documents should be in JPEG or JPG file format.**

7. Instructions for Signature

- a. Draw a rectangle of 2"x1" on a blank white paper.
- b. Put your signature with a black pen almost filling the rectangle.
- c. Scan that paper, crop the signature area and save it as your name
- d. The size of the signature must be between 100-200 KB.

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Example:

- 8. Incomplete application forms will **NOT** be accepted. Application with all required documents must be uploaded within the stipulated date and time.
- 9. No recommendations except the above-mentioned documents should be uploaded with the application form. All entries and signature of the applicant should be made in proper places.
- 10. In case any document/certificate required to be uploaded along with the application form is not uploaded, the application will be summarily rejected.
- 11. In all disputes pertaining to the conducting of the examination, selection and admission and/or any relevant issues, the decision of the Entrance Examination Committee, B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences shall be final.

Date of Entrance Examination

Entrance Examination for DM/MCh will be held at 9:30 am on 6th July 2019, (Saturday) at B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Dharan, Nepal. Venue will be indicated in the Admit Card.

Candidate shall not be allowed to enter the examination hall unless s/he holds an Admit Card issued by BPKIHS along with proof of photo identity (Passport/Citizenship) issued by the government authority and original bank voucher.

Entrance Examination Fee	NPR 5,000/-
Submission of application form (normal date)	Upto 20 th June 2019
Last date of submission (with late processing fee)	From 21 st to 27 th June 2019
Late processing charge (including examination fee)	NPR 7,500/-
Issue of electronic admit card	From 2 nd July 2019 onwards
Entrance Exam Date & Time	6 th July 2019 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

6. SELECTION PROCESS

Entrance Examination

• The Entrance Examination consists of **200 single response multiple choice questions carrying 200 marks.** The minimum qualifying marks will be 50%. There will be no negative marking. The distribution of questions will be as follows.

•	For DM (Cardiology)	70% from Internal Medicine, 30% from Cardiology.
•	For DM (Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine)	70% from Internal Medicine, 30% from Pulmonary, Critical Care and Sleep Medicine
•	For DM (Gastroenterology and Hepatology)	70% from Internal Medicine, 30% from Gastroenterology and Hepatology
•	For DM (Neonatology)	70% from Pediatrics, 30% from Neonatology
•	For MCh (GI Surgery) For MCh (Urology)	70% from General Surgery, 30% from GI Surgery 70% from General Surgery, 30% from Urology

Questions from basic sciences will also be included in all the above subjects. The duration of the examination is **3 hours**.

Electronic devices (such as calculator, digital watch, mobile phone, log tables etc.) and pen/ball pen, pencil, eraser, sharpener, wallet etc. will not be allowed in the examination hall. For writing on the answer sheet, ball pen will be provided in the examination hall. The examination center will not look after the personal belongings (mobile phones, bags etc.) of the candidates and they have to make their own arrangement for their safe custody.

Wearing full sleeved shirts/cloths is not allowed into the entrance examination center.

In case of tie in Entrance Examination

If there is a tie between two or more candidates, the candidate older in age will be given higher position in the merit list. In case of second tie, the candidate who has passed early in MD/MS examination will be given higher position. In case of third tie, the candidate who has secured higher marks in MBBS examination will be given higher position.

The results will be published at the earliest possible.

Medical Fitness Examination

It does not carry any marks but being medically fit for further studies is a must. The selected candidate shall have to undergo medical fitness examination by a Medical Board set up by the Institute. In case of need for further investigation, the Board may refer the candidate to other institutions. In this case, all the expenses must be borne by the candidate. If, in the assessment of the Medical Board, a candidate is found medically unfit for admission to the course, s/he will not be admitted, and the decision of the Board shall be final. In that case, in his/her place, the name of the candidate next on the merit-based waiting list will be announced for admission.

Please note that it takes a minimum of three days to complete Medical Fitness Examination. The DM/MCh residents must take all vaccinations as advised by the Medical Board.

7. ADMISSION DATES AND PROCESS

Admission of the selected candidate will be as indicated below. Admission will be taken only in the office hours (please see inside the first cover page of the Prospectus).

- Candidate selected must be admitted by 5:00 pm on 21st July Sunday 2019.
- Candidates must deposit the required original certificates at the time of admission.
- In case of vacancy, second announcement will be made on 22nd July Monday 2019 in the official website.

All announcements will also be put up on the Institute's website: www.bpkihs.edu, entrance.bpkihs.edu. Prospective candidates are requested to see the notice boards or visit the website.

8. DATE OF JOINING

An orientation program for the DM/MCh students will be conducted at **9:00 am on 1st September (Sunday) 2019.** All candidates are expected to be present. Thereafter the candidates will report to the respective departments.

9. CONTRACT

Contract and other bond etc. will be as per the rules of the Institute. The DM/MCh resident must strictly adhere to the student **Code of Conduct** as per the rules and regulations. A candidate who has been admitted in sub- specialty program of one specialty will not be allowed to change his/her subject nor will s/he be allowed to leave before completion of the course.

All rules and regulations will apply according to "सरकारी शिक्षण संस्थाहरुमा चिकित्साशास्त्र छात्रवृत्ति छनौट तथा छात्रवृत्ति प्राप्त विशेषज्ञ चिकित्सक परिचालन कार्यविधि २०७२". Candidates are advised to read and be familiar with the above document.

BPKIHS sponsored candidates will have to sign a bond as per BPKIHS rules. They will have to work in the institute for 5 consecutive years immediately after the completion of DM/MCh course. In case of failure to comply with the contract, the candidate will have to pay Rs. 50,00,000/- per year compensation for each uncompleted year.

Original academic certificates of all students will be kept in the Institute and will be given back to the concerned individual only after completion of the first year. In case of BPKIHS sponsored candidate the certificate will be returned on completion of the contract.

S. N.	Particular/headings	Amount of fees in NPR	Frequency of payment
1	Registration	30,000	one time
2	Library	10,000	per year
3	Laboratory	6,000	per year
4	Student welfare fund	3,150	per year
5	Regular Examination	15,000	per year
5	Supplementary Exam (in case of failure)	15,000	per attempt
6	Thesis Evaluation	60,000	one time
7	Refundable Deposits (Library, Laboratory, etc.)	20,000	one time
8	Health Welfare Scheme Charge	1,600	per year
9	Life Insurance premium (sum insured Rs 5 lakhs)	2,500	per year
10	Nepal Medical Council fee	As per Council rules	one time

10. FEE STRUCTURE

For DM/MCh Course

Please note the following additional rules:

- The Senate the Governing Body of the University may change or review the fees & expenses.
- 2. All fees should be paid at the time of admission and on yearly basis. The last date of payment of fees must be strictly adhered to. No extension is possible unless in exceptional circumstances by prior approval from the Registrar not extending a period of 15 days from the last date of submission of fees. A fine of Rs. 100/- per day will be charged. For further delay after 15 days fine of Rs 150/- per day shall be imposed. There is no provision for waiving off late fines.

- 3. Students not paying fees on time will not be allowed to sit in final examination. Admit card for such students will not be issued.
- 4. Enrollment in Health Welfare Scheme is compulsory. The premium may vary each year.
- 5. Students who are required to appear in the supplementary examination have to pay examination fee as mentioned above.

11. CANCELLATION OF ADMISSION/LEAVING THE COURSE

Candidates who give written confirmation of program/category for admission must deposit the required original certificates at the time of admission.

- 1. After completing the admission process, if a candidate wishes to cancel his/her admission before the start of the course, s/he will be charged Rs. one lakh to get back the certificates. The deposit and the remaining fees will be refunded.
- 2. After the start of the course, if a candidate wishes to cancel his/her admission within 30 days, s/he will be charged Rs. two lakhs to get back the certificates. The deposit and the remaining fees will be refunded.
- 3. Candidates who want to leave the course after 30 days will not be refunded the fees paid for the first installment. He will also have to pay additional Rs five lakhs as penalty to get back the deposited certificates. The deposit will be refunded.

12. SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE FOR DM/MCh RESIDENTS

All residents will be provided monthly subsistence allowance equivalent to the starting salary of 9th level (नवौ तह) of Nepal Health Service for three academic years only. The allowance is subject to tax deduction as per rules and regulations of the Government of Nepal. No other emoluments are given.

Note: The DM/MCh resident will get a one-time thesis grant of Rs. 10,000/-.

13. DURATION OF THE COURSE

The DM/MCh program of B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences is of 3 years duration. The final examinations will be held between 34 and 36 months after the commencement of the course. The maximum time limit to complete the course is 6 years from the date of the start of the course.

14. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The DM/MCh resident shall work in all three areas namely **service**, **research and teaching/learning** under supervision as per the rules and regulations of BPKIHS. In addition, s/he is required to attend classes or other duties as stipulated in the curriculum. The DM/MCh resident must strictly follow hospital duties, e.g. emergency, night duties, and other academic assignments. S/he will be required to be involved in teaching undergraduate and post graduate students. The resident will be posted at Teaching District Hospitals for community-based teaching learning as per academic rules. No extra emoluments are given during the district hospital postings.

The resident may be posted in other institutions for completing the respective DM/MCh curriculum. As per the requirement of the Nepal Medical Council and Ministry of Health, the Residents are compulsorily posted in the community for a total period of 3 months. In such postings, student has to bear all the costs themselves including institutional charges, lodging, boarding, etc. The resident must strictly adhere to the code of conduct as per the rules and regulations applicable to the students of BPKIHS.

15. THESIS AND PUBLICATION

Thesis protocol (proposal) should be submitted by the end of 3 months of joining the course. S/he must submit the thesis at least six months before the final theory/practical examination. The thesis must be approved by the evaluators before appearing for the final examinations and the resident will also have to defend his/her thesis work. However, the thesis will not carry any marks. No extension of time will be granted. The thesis of the candidates, who are not able to submit the thesis by the stipulated time, will not be sent for evaluation for the purpose of scheduled final examination. Candidates must also submit electronic copy of their thesis to the Library. Publication/acceptance of one paper in the core subject in a journal is **mandatory** before appearing for the final examinations.

16. LEAVE RULES & REPETITION OF THE COURSE

- During the entire 3-academic years of residency, a resident will be entitled to a maximum of 90 days leave (30 days per year). No other leaves are applicable. Maximum of 15 days leave at one time is ordinarily permissible.
- If the total duration of leave is
 - 1. more than 30 days in a year, but less than 6 months the residents must repeat the course for 6 months

- 2. more than 6 months and less than one year: there will be repetition of one year.
- In case of more than one year leave, there will be the provision of repetition of the course as above and for remaining academic years. However, the course should be completed within the maximum time limit i.e. 6 years from the date of the start of the course.
- If s/he is **absent** for more than 30 days **without prior approval**, his/her admission will be cancelled.
- However, during the entire period of the residency, the Dean (Academics) can condone 10 days of absence, if there is a genuine cause.

In case of inability to submit thesis on time or candidate failing in final examination or repetition of residency for whatever reason, a resident has to repeat the course for 6 months. They would only be allowed to appear in the Supplementary Examination 6 months after the publication of result of the regular examination, provided all other requirements are met.

The status of the candidate in open category will remain that of a resident till completion of the course. In case of in-service candidate, if the candidate has not completed 36 months of residency s/he will have to apply for extension of leave till the completion of 36 months of residency. After the completion of the residency (36 months) s/he will return to the department in the previous capacity.

The Examination Section will decide the examination dates. They have to pay examination fees as mentioned in the prospectus. For the period of repetition, residents will not be paid any subsistence allowances.

Repeating resident shall pay fees required per half yearly wise.

17. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation to the residents will be provided by BPKIHS will be provided by BPKIHS **on the basis of availability**. If both husband and wife are selected, only one accommodation unit will be provided. In case the candidate is already an employee or a spouse of BPKIHS employee, no separate accommodation will be provided.

18. CENTRAL LIBRARY

The Central Library is well-equipped and resourceful maintaining relevant collection of medical books, electronic journals and other resources. It is providing services for 15 hours a day from 8:00 am to 11:00 pm (Sunday – Thursday). On Fridays, it opens from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm and on Saturdays, from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm except on public holidays. The essential international and Indian medical journals are

being subscribed to the Central Library annually. Apart from these resources, approximately 14000 titles of biomedical health sciences free full text e- journals, books, Cochrane and essential databases are accessible from WHO/HINARI. The Annual Reviews on various disciplines are also made freely available to the users. The Electronic Information Services (EIS) has been upgraded in library by enabling access to online resources through personal device i.e. laptop, notebook via Wi-Fi connection. Desktop computers are also installed to assist users. Each department has its own Departmental Library with essential collection of books and journals, which is updated regularly.

The library has set up its own dedicated server for searching library collections and providing free full text access to all e-resources available through HINARI, Annual Reviews, Open Access Journals. Digital Library, useful links and relevant resources are also facilitated through a single platform, E-library, which is made accessible from the IP address/URL http://elibrary.bpkihs.edu:8000 within the BPKIHS Networking/LAN Networking. In addition to these, the Library is conducting various activities to enhance the knowledge and skills of users for literature search, electronic information access and so on.

19. HEALTH WELFARE SCHEME AND LIFE INSURANCE

Candidate admitted in any of the courses will have to get their health insured comprehensively. They will have to renew their health insurance policy every year during their whole study period in BPKIHS. The student must make sure that they comply with the directives of the insurance policy.

In addition to the health insurance, all students will be required to get life insurance which will cover only during the study period for an amount of Rs. 5,00,000. The students will have to renew the life insurance policy every year.

20. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR FINAL UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION

- 1. Student will be continuously evaluated throughout the course.
- 2. Student is required to maintain logbook/portfolio (which carries marks) throughout the course.
- 3. The final examinations will be held within the three years but not earlier than 34 months from date of starting of session and shall consist of theory, practical & viva.
- The theory examination will consist of four papers: Paper I- Applied Basic Science, Paper II- Specific Subject, Paper III-Related Subject and Paper IV- Recent Advances.
- 5. Practical examination will be conducted by the concerned department, and would include short, semi-long and long cases, VIVA

and OSCE/OSPE. There may be minor modifications or variations depending on the subject.

- 6. Two internal assessments will be conducted by the concerned department within three years. Student will be given only one chance for appearing in the internal assessment. The internal assessment will not be a barrier to appear in the final examination. The contribution of internal assessment & final examination to the final assessment will be 30% & 70% respectively. The 30% marks comprise: 10% from the first internal assessment; 10% from the second internal assessment; and 10% from the logbook/portfolio assessment. Separate re-internal assessment for failures in the final examination will not be taken. In that case, the re-examination (supplementary final examination) will carry 100% marks.
- 7. The resident must maintain the record of their teaching/learning activities in their logbook/portfolio, which is regularly evaluated by respective Chair of the division.
- 8. Supplementary final examination will be held after six months of the final examination.
- 9. The overall assessment of student will be declared after the final assessment, which consists of 30% internal assessment and 70% final examination. For successful completion of the program a student must secure at least 50% marks both in practical & theory separately, complete the official academic duration, get approval of submitted thesis, and show appropriate professional behavior.

21. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION COMMITTEE

The Entrance Examination Committee of the institute governs selection of candidates for admission to all academic programs. The Committee invites and receives applications, screens eligibility, rejects applications not meeting the eligibility criteria, fixes examination date, time and its centers, conducts entrance examinations, publishes results, and recommends admission of successful candidates. The Committee also reserves the right of cancellation of admission of any candidate, if, after inquiry it is proved that the information provided by the applicant is false. **The decision of the Entrance Examination Committee shall be final and binding**.

Note:

- a. During the examination/before/or later, if a candidate is found indulging in any unfair means, s/he shall be deemed to have used unfair practice at the examination. Such candidates would be expelled and debarred from taking the examination in future too and shall also be liable for criminal action and/or any other action deem fit by the institute.
- b. The institute has no agents/middlemen for admissions.
- c. The Entrance Examination Committee will make all efforts to avoid mistakes while preparing and publishing results but the Committee or the Institute will not be responsible for inadvertent mistakes incurred due to human error. The Entrance Committee also reserves the right to correct mistakes if they are found at any point.
- d. Any attempt on the part of the candidate to influence the process of admission directly or indirectly will be treated as a disqualification.

22. DHARAN

Dharan is a lovely town situated at the foothill of Siwalik/Chure Mountains in the Eastern Region of Nepal. This town is one of the most important industrial, economic and educational centers in the region and a gateway to the eastern hills & mountains of Nepal. Dharan has climate and vegetation a mixture of tropical and sub-tropical. It has very pleasant weather throughout the year. The summer is warm having a maximum average temperature 32° C and the winter very pleasant having a minimum average temperature 10° C.

The population of Dharan sub metropolitan city is 1, 16,181 (Male-54599, Female-61582; Census 2068 BS) having mixed ethnicity and religion. The cultural diversity is another important aspect of Dharan.

Dharan is connected with a domestic airport in Biratnagar few km north from Indian state of Bihar, about 40 km south (1 hour drive) from Dharan. The same road continues to north connecting Bhedetar (a hill station ½ hour drive from Dharan), Dhankuta (about 52 kilometers further north), Hile and Basantapur. Dharan is easily approachable from Bagdogra Airport, Siliguri and New Jalpaiguri in West Bengal, Katihar and Jogbani in Bihar. Trip to Dhankuta, Hile and Basantapur would definitely be a remarkable one for anyone to see picturesque mountains of the Himalayan ranges. The panoramic views of the majestic mountains and the Himalayas seen from Hile & Basantapur will never be enough to anyone who loves nature.

Dharan is a heritage of Hindu and Buddhist pilgrims; there are Mosques and Churches as well. Barahakshetra, Bishnupaduka, Dantakali, Pindeshwar, Budha Subba and Panchakanya temples are the famous Hindu holy places one should not miss to visit.

