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Ministry of Health,
“Suwasiripaya”,
385, Rev.Baddegama Wimalawansa Thero Mawatha,
Colombo -10.
01/10/2012

To: All Provincial Secretaries,
All Provincial /Regional Directors of Health Services,
All Heads of Decentralized Units of Health Services,
All Directors of Teaching Hospitals, Provincial General Hospitals & Specialized Campaigns,
All Medical Superintendents & District Medical Officers

Annual Transfers of Specialist Medical Officers – 2013

This refers to the earlier communication dated 06/09/2012 regarding transfers of Specialist Medical Officers.

After giving due consideration to suggestions received, the final list of posts available for Specialist Medical Officers under different Specialties is hereby released.

Those who have already applied for the list of posts available in Annual Transfers of Specialist Medical Officers 2013 (Draft) need not apply if they do not wish to change their preferences of posts and institutions.

Those who have already applied, but wish to change their preferences of posts and institutions according to the list of posts available in Annual Transfers of Specialist Medical Officers 2013 (Final) can do so by **only** filling in the Specimen Application Form (Change of Preferences).

The attached is the final list of posts available for Specialist Medical Officers under different Specialties.

01. All the posts where Specialist Medical Officers have completed 04 years by 31.12.2012 are marked as “A” and such posts should be considered as **definitely vacant posts**.
02. All the posts of Specialist Medical Officers due to complete 02 years by 31.12.2012 are marked as “B”. These posts should be considered as **potentially vacant posts**. Respective specialists are eligible to apply for the current Annual Transfers 2013, only if such posts become vacant, as a result of Specialist Medical Officers getting selected to different posts. Therefore, all candidates are hereby requested to include all the potentially vacant stations also in their preference order.
03. All the new stations advertised in the Annual Transfer list 2013, should be considered as vacant posts for all Specialist Medical Officers who wish to apply irrespective of their duration in the present post, including the Specialist Medical Officers falling into category described in the subsection IV of section 6.1.3.9 of the Health Services Minutes dated 22nd March 2001, presently working in Teaching Hospitals, who have completed 4 years in the same station.

04. For the sake of completeness of the list we have included all the End Posts. These posts are however not available for Annual Transfers which are due to take effect from 01.01.2013. Vacancies of End Stations will be advertised separately. Applications for End Posts should not be forwarded with reference to this advertisement.
05. The following categories of Specialist Medical Officers are eligible to apply.
- a. Those who have completed 04 years in all non - Teaching Hospitals by 31.12.2012.
 - b. Those who have completed 02 years or more in non - Teaching Hospitals by 31.12.2012.
 - c. Those who will not complete 02 years by 31.12.2012 are only eligible to apply for New Vacant Posts of Annual Transfers 2013.
 - d. Specialist Medical Officers falling into the category described in subsection IV of section 6.1.3.9 of the Health Services Minutes dated 22nd March, 2001, presently working in Teaching Hospitals, who have completed 04 years in the same station.
 - e. Specialist Medical Officers who were holding temporary appointments but are Board Certified as specialists before **08/10/2012** by the Board of Management of the Post Graduate Institute of Medicine (PGIM) as specified in Health Service Minutes. Further these applicants are requested to attach a certified copy of Board Certification by the Director, PGIM to the application. Specialist Medical Officers, Board Certified after **08/10/2012** by the Board of Management of the PGIM are not eligible to apply for the Annual Transfers of 2013.
06. It is compulsory for the specialists belonging to group “A” mentioned above, to apply for this Annual Transfers **even if their names have not appeared in the noted list**. It is also compulsory for the specialists presently holding Acting posts who have been board certified by **08/10/2012** as described above to apply even though their names do not appear in this list. Applicants belonging to these two categories, who do not forward their applications indicating their choices, will be appointed by the Transfer Board to stations which are vacant after considering the requests of those who have duly applied.
07. Heads of Institutions are requested to bring the contents of this circular to the notice of all Specialist Medical Officers, in their institutions particularly the specialists belonging to the two categories mentioned in the above paragraphs (paragraph 01 and 02) and forward the transfer applications to the Ministry of Health as indicated below.
08. Those who have completed over 02 years at the present station and have made applications for transfer but wish to withdraw their applications **should do so within 02 weeks of the closing date**, mentioned here in. **No subsequent withdrawals will be entertained** and if the applicant is selected to the post he/she will have to accept the post. (This has to be strictly followed since the vacant stations would be filled along with the annual transfers without waiting for appeals).
09. Those who are between 53 years to 55 years of age during the period starting from 01.01.2013 to 31.12.2013 are eligible to remain at the same stations until they are, 55 years old provided they give an affidavit to the effect that they would retire on reaching 55 years of age. Those who are 59 years of age during the period starting from 01.01.2013 to 31.12.2013 are eligible to remain at the same stations until they are 60 years, provided they have not used this concession before in response to the previous advertisement where the submission of an affidavit was not made compulsory. If they so wish to remain at the same

stations they should indicate so in the application as their first choice and provide an affidavit as indicated above. Subsequent requests made in this regard will not be entertained.

10. a. All eligible applicants are hereby requested to send in their applications through their Heads of Institutions and Heads of Decentralized Units to reach this office on or before **08/10/2012**.

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b. A direct copy should be sent to the same address as above.

c. A copy of the Application Form should also be sent via email for easy processing on or before the closing date. Please note that signatures of the applicant, Head of the Institution and Head of the Decentralized Unit are not necessary in this regard.

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11. The Annual Transfers of Specialist Medical officers for the year 2013 (effective from 01.01.2013) will be done as per Gazette notification dated of 22.03.2001. Points will be calculated up to 31.12.2012 for the Annual Transfers of the year 2013.
12. As on previous occasions an opportunity will be given to candidates to appeal against the transfers made by the Transfer Board. Once all applications are considered for both the vacant and potentially vacant stations, any remaining vacancies will be available for appeals.
13. It is the responsibility of the Specialist Medical Officers to provide correct data in order to maintain the accuracy. Please note that the provision of incorrect data may be dealt with disciplinary action as per the provision of Establishments Code.

The annual transfer list and the transfer application forms are available in the Ministry of Health Web site: www.health.gov.lk.

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Ministry of Health