



MRCPI PART 2 – MEDICINE OF CHILDHOOD

1. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Candidates must complete all their attempts at the Part 2 Written Examination within seven years of the date of their success in Part 1 MRCPI. There will be no extensions to this seven year period. However if more than seven years have elapsed since passing Part 1, that Part can be retaken.
- (b) The Part 2 MRCPI Written examination must be passed before a candidate is eligible to sit the Part 2 Clinical Examination. Candidates who successfully pass the Written section will be permitted a period of two years to pass the Clinical section before being required to re-sit the Written section.
- (c) Candidates must have completed at least twelve months post-registration work in Paediatrics, by the date of the Examination, full details of which must be given at the time of application.
- (d) Every candidate for Part 2 of the Membership must have submitted testimonials of his/her professional qualification and character from two Medical Practitioners of at least five years standing and statements on the approved form regarding:
 - Professional experience acceptable to the Education & Examination Committee.
 - Not keeping an open shop for the sale of medicine.

2. EXAMINATION FORMAT

- (e) The Part 2 MRCPI Medicine of Childhood Examination is composed of two free-standing sections, namely a Written examination and a Clinical examination, held on separate dates.
- (f) Candidates are allowed an unlimited number of attempts. **PLEASE NOTE: when demand for clinical places is high, priority will be given to candidates living in the E.U.**
Please note: an application resulting in the allocation of a place on an exam will be treated as an attempt – whether or not the candidate subsequently attends that exam.
- (g) The Part 2 MRCPI Written Examination will usually be held in Dublin.
- (h) The Part 2 MRCPI Clinical Examination will be held 1 – 3 months after the Written section. The Clinical examination may be held in a hospital anywhere within the island of Ireland.
- (i) **Written Section**
The Written Section consists of two papers as follows:
 - (a) Paper 1 will be of 3 hours duration and consist of 5 questions. These shall include essay questions and short answer questions.
 - (b) Paper 2 will be of 2 hours duration and will consist of 25 questions. These shall include approximately 20 short answer questions and 5 questions on clinical scenarios.
- (j) **Clinical Section**
Candidates will be given one long case as in General Medicine and two or three short cases including different systems for examination.
- (k) **Examination Timetable**
Details of the Clinical examinations will normally be available on the College's Website but it is the candidate's responsibility to confirm that the website information is accurate.