

## Application procedures

Candidates are required to fill up the following items:

- Application form (available at
- <http://ams.edu.sg/education-training/staff-registrar-scheme-diploma>)
- Obtain endorsement from their Head of Department and their Human Resource Department.
- Attach the supporting documents (certified as true copies) as indicated in the application form and mail to:

Academy of Medicine, Singapore  
Education & Training Department  
81 Kim Keat Road  
#11-00 & #12-00, NKF Centre  
Singapore 328836

**HOW  
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APPLY?**

## Fee structure

*Registration fee:	\$500 (non-refundable one-time payment)
*Course fee	\$6,600 per year
*Examination fee	\$300 (academic year 1&2)
Graduate Diploma in Mental Health (GDMH)	\$6,617.50 (payment to be made in yr 1);

*\*Prevailing rate of Goods and Services Tax (GST) is not inclusive in the fees and is collected on top of the above fees. All fees are non-refundable upon commencement of training.*

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# Diploma in Psychiatry



## Programme Objectives

The Diploma in Psychiatry programme is to produce physicians who have the skills and knowledge of evaluating and managing patients with psychiatric disorders.

The structured program and the close supervision of trainees will ensure the development of a competent and safe Staff Registrar. Successful candidate armed with a diploma may be granted a conditional registration by SMC and potentially work as staff registrar in SMC approved institutions.

## Programme Director

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**CHAPTER of PSYCHIATRISTS**

## Admission Criteria

This programme is open to all medically-trained doctors who possess Temporary registration (Service), Conditional registration or Full registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). However, applicants must also satisfy the following criteria for admission into this programme:

- Currently working in a Psychiatric department and have completed at least ONE year of work in Psychiatry in the same local restructured hospital in Singapore ;
- Have a sponsoring unit, department or institution;
- Have a programme supervisor who possesses Full registration with the SMC and is a specialist in Psychiatry and Fellow of the Academy of Medicine (FAMS). This supervisor should work at the same institution as the applicant.

## Programme Duration

This is a structured training programme which will be carried out under supervision over a 2-year period.

## Syllabus

During the first year, the core of the training will firm up the theoretical knowledge of trainees in Psychosis, Mood, Anxiety and Grief, Addiction/ Personality Disorders, Child and Adolescent Mental Health including Learning Disabilities, and Psychogeriatrics. In the second year, the trainees will consolidate and apply this knowledge to be able to competently assess and manage the psychiatric disorders.

**Yearly Commencement date :**  
1 September

**Yearly Application period :**  
From 1 — 31 June



## Training Structure

The 2-year training programme will enable the trainees to develop knowledge and skills in the overall field of psychiatry, at the level of competence expected from that of a Staff Registrar. Examples of knowledge and skills that are desirable include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Assessment, understanding of the aetiological factors and biopsychosocial management of common psychiatric disorders e.g. psychosis, mood disorders, anxiety disorders, child and adolescent psychiatric disorders and mental disorders in the elderly
2. Performance of risk assessment
3. Ability to work in a multi-disciplinary team
4. Appropriate utilization of community services for psychiatry patients

	Year 1	Year 2
<b>Combined Training</b>	GDMH lecture series Case write ups (5) Case Discussions (5)	
<b>Department training</b>	Weekly departmental training programs.	Weekly departmental training programs.
<b>Supervision</b>	6 monthly supervisor reports by onsite supervisor	6 monthly supervisor reports by onsite supervisor
<b>Evaluations &amp; Examinations</b>	6 sets of GDMH Module MCQ exams Final GDMH MCQ exams	5 Mini-CEXs Exit examination
<b>Outcomes</b>	Candidate promoted to year two of the course	Eligible for SRS on completion of training

## Assessment Criteria

Assessment Component	Weightage %
Supervisor's Report	20%
Course Work: GDMH	30%
Log Book	20%
Exit Examinations	30%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100 %</b>