



**REGIONAL CANCER CENTRE
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM-695 011**

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INTRODUCTION

Applications are invited in the prescribed format from eligible candidates for the three year DM Medical Oncology Course at Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram. The completed applications forms along with the required documents are to reach the office of the Director on or before 4.00 pm on 20th June 2011.

Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram (RCC), now in its 30th year of services to the nation, is an autonomous institution sponsored jointly by Govt. of Kerala and Govt. of India. Handling over 1.80 lakh patients including over 13,000 new cancer cases annually (30 lakh patients visited in the last 15 years), RCC carried out innovative and pioneering work in cancer control, treatment, research and training. The centre has smooth hassle free patient management system where in every patient gets equal attention and standardized care. We have in-house facilities to ensure comprehensive care under one roof. We also offer comprehensive support facilities for the patients, including travel, accommodation and rehabilitation.

The Division of Medical Oncology provides the State of the Art treatment for various forms of malignancies. The division is considered to be the one and only of its kind in the state with trained faculty and international standard. Dose intense protocols and high dose chemotherapy are used for the treatment of patients with lymphomas and leukemias. The division form part of the multidisciplinary team for the treatment of solid tumors.

The Division runs an active Bone Marrow Transplant programme where autologous and allogenic bone marrow transplants are performed regularly.



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I. Applications are invited for admission to the Post Graduate Super Specialty Courses 2011, at The Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram.

Course	Seats
DM Medical Oncology	2 seats

This course will be started in 2011 subject to final permission granted by MCI and MOHFW before the due date of admission.

II. **Duration of the Course:** Duration of the Course shall be three years from the date of commencement of the course. The DM course is a full time residential course. Students will be provided stipend as per the Institutions norms.

III. **Eligibility for admission:**

(a) **Nativity:**

Applicants should have satisfied the following conditions:--

(i) Should be an Indian Citizen

(ii) Should have passed the MBBS and PG Degree (MD) from any of the Medical Colleges in India, recognized by the Medical Council of India or DNB from an institute in India, approved by the National Board of Examinations, New Delhi.

(b) **Basic Academic Qualifications:**

(i) M.B.B.S. Degree recognized by the Medical Council of India

(ii) Appropriate Post Graduate Degree (M.D) recognized by the Medical Council of India **OR** appropriate DNB of National Board of Examinations, New Delhi.

- Appropriate Post Graduate qualification required for applying for the course will be MD/DNB in the subjects noted below:

Course	Subjects in which P.G. Qualification is necessary
DM Medical Oncology	MD/DNB in General Medicine / Pediatrics / Radiotherapy

Note: Candidates who have appeared or are appearing for the MD/DNB examination can also apply but they should produce the PG Degree certificate at the time of counseling if selected.

(iii) Candidates should have their MBBS and PG Degrees registered permanently with Medical Council (India/State) and it should be submitted at the time of counseling.

(c) Age:

Upper age limit for General merit candidates would be 35 years, as on the last date for submitting the application. Age relaxation of five years is applicable to all SC/ST candidates.

(d) All candidates should qualify the Entrance Examination conducted by the Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala by securing minimum of 50% marks.

IV. Fees:

1. Tuition fees Rs. 100,000/- per annum (Rs. 50,000 for SC/ST candidates)
2. Caution Deposit Rs. 10,000/- (refundable)
3. Library fees Rs. 10,000/- per annum
4. Miscellaneous fees Rs. 10,000/- per annum
5. Examination fee – as applicable to KUHAS, Trissur

V. Application procedure:

- Application procedure is common for all candidates seeking admission to the course.
- Candidate seeking admission to the course shall download prospectus, instructions and Annexures from the website **www.rcctvm.org**
- The application alone should be submitted online.
- Application form which has been completed online must be printed, duly signed, affixing self-attested photographs on the space provided along with all necessary enclosures must be accompanied with a Demand Draft.
- The Demand Draft for Rs. 1500/- (Rs.750/- for SC/ST) payable at State Bank of Travancore, Medical College Branch, Thiruvananthapuram or any of its service branches payable at Thiruvananthapuram, drawn in favour of "**Director, Regional Cancer Centre**" should reach The Director, Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 011 by Registered / Speed post **only** latest by 4 pm on 20/06/2011.
- Demand Draft submitted is not refundable in any case.
- The envelope containing the application should be superscribed "**APPLICATION FOR DM MEDICAL ONCOLOGY COURSE, 2011**".
- Candidates are advised to take color printouts of the filled application form on one side of the paper.
- Please do not alter the form in any way.
- Incomplete applications will be rejected and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained. Applications received after the last date will be rejected, and no grounds for delay including postal delay will be entertained.
- Photographs must be taken on or after 1st March 2011, with a placard indicating name and date. All passport size photographs must be self attested, identical, snapped with front profile, showing full head, face, shoulder and with both ears and taken without wearing any Cap/Hat/Sun glasses. Polaroid photos are not accepted.
- If an eligible candidate does not receive the admit card by 12th July 2011, he/she may contact the office of The Director, Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram. Tel no 0471 2522215/2522278.

Certificates / Documents to be attached along with the application form.

I Originals to be attached

1. Typed application form in colour(pages 1-5)
2. Three self attested 3X4 cm photographs affixed with fevicol at designated space
3. Self addressed envelope for admit card of 25 cm X 16 cm size. The address should be clearly and neatly written in capital letters for sending admit card.
4. Demand Draft
5. Certificate as in ANNEXURE I
6. Certificate as in ANNEXURE III to prove experience (refer Annexure II part III)

II Self attested copies of certificates

7. Final MBBS Marks sheet.
8. MBBS passing certificate.
9. Internship completion certificate.
10. MD/DNB passing / appearing certificate.
11. MD/DNB attempt certificate.
12. Permanent medical registration certificate of MD/DNB.
13. Certificate proving nationality (Passport, Voters ID, PAN Card, Tahasildars certificate).
14. Certificate proving date of birth.
15. Character/conduct certificate issued by competent authority (head of institute/gazetted officer).
16. SC/ST certificate issued by Revenue Officer not below the rank of a Tahsildar in case of candidates claiming exam fee exemption/age relaxation
17. Photo copy of publications if any(please send only relevant publications as mentioned in ANNEXURE II Part III)

VI. Entrance Examination:

All candidates seeking admission for the DM Medical Oncology Courses will have to appear for the Entrance Examination. The Entrance Examination will be conducted in accordance with the Schedule fixed by the MCI and RCC, Thiruvananthapuram. Any change in date and time of the exam shall be intimated by e-mail.

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

1. Candidate must bring Admit Card with him / her to secure admission to the examination room.
2. Only those with original admit card will be allowed inside the examination hall.
3. If an eligible candidate does not receive the admit card by 12/07/2011, he/she may contact the office of the Director, Regional Cancer Centre, Thiruvananthapuram. Phone: -- 0471 2522215/2522278.
4. The admit card is being issued provisionally subject to the scrutiny of the eligibility. It is only after verification of the eligibility that the candidate would be considered for admission. Mere appearing or qualifying in the test does not entitle a candidate for selection / admission.
5. Please bring your own blue/black pen.
6. Envelope of admit card / any other paper / any resource material / calculators / slide rule/ mobile phone / pagers are not allowed inside the exam hall.
7. The examination rooms will be opened half an hour before the commencement of the examination.
8. No candidate will be admitted to the examination room after fifteen minutes of start of the examination.
9. Mark your answers on the "Answer Sheet" by blackening the circles using BLUE/BLACK BALL PEN.
10. No candidate will be allowed to leave the examination room till the examination is over.
11. At the end of the examination, candidate should hand over the Answer Sheet and Question Booklet to the invigilator. Candidates will not be permitted to take the Question Booklet with them after the Examination.

12. Candidates will be required to sign his / her attendance at designated place in the presence of the invigilator when directed to do so by the invigilators.
13. Candidates who fail to observe these regulations will be disqualified and debarred from appearing in subsequent entrance tests held by RCC.
14. No TA / DA will be admissible for attending the written test and joining the course.
15. Any malpractice or attempt to commit any kind of malpractice in the examination will result in the disqualification of the candidate and withdrawal of candidature.

Scheme of Examination:

There will be one MCQ paper with 120 questions to be completed in 120 minutes. Each correct answer will fetch 1 mark and each wrong answer will result in minus half mark (negative mark). The question pattern for Medical Oncology entrance examination would cover General Medicine, Pediatrics and Oncology topics at the Post Graduate level. For each question, four suggested responses will be given as choices A, B, C & D of which only one will be the **most appropriate answer**. The candidate has to select, and darken the circle corresponding to the most appropriate response in the answer sheet provided. All entries in the answer sheet, including darkening of circles should be done using **BLUE/BLACK BALLPOINT PEN** only. Candidates are to darken only one circle for each question. There is no provision for revaluation or rechecking of answer sheets.

Candidates will be short listed for the viva purely on the basis of theory marks. The viva will be held in the afternoon session on the same day of the theory exam. The number of candidates short listed will be approximately three times the number of seats available. In case of equal cut-off marks in the MCQ test, all the candidates with the same marks shall be short listed for the Viva. Final merit list will be based on the total scores obtained out of a maximum of 150 marks which will be derived by adding 120 marks (MCQ), 25 marks (Viva) and 5marks (prior academic achievement – see Annexure II for details).

VII. Rank list & Selection:

- a) The Director of Regional Cancer Centre will prepare and publish the Select List and Wait list of Candidates based on merit.
- b) The Select List and Wait Lists published will be valid till **30th September 2011**.
- c) Admission Memo will be issued to the selected candidates. The candidate has to report on the date fixed by the Director. The candidates who get selection will have to remit the fees at the time of admission.
- d) Candidates who do not turn up for the allotment as per schedule, at the place and time notified, will forfeit their chance for admission, and will not be considered for admission in future or arising vacancies, irrespective of the rank.
- e) If a candidate is not able to attend the allotment process on genuine grounds, the parent/guardian, or any authorized person may act as a proxy at the risk of the candidate, on production of authorization letter (**Annexure IV**). In such a case the candidate has to report to The Director in person within one week or he/she will forfeit his/her claim to the seat and the seat will be allotted to the next candidate in the merit/waiting list.
- f) The final select list of in-service candidates will be prepared as per the rules laid down by The Director RCC.

Resolution of Tie: If more than one candidate obtains equal marks in the Entrance Examination, tie will be resolved as follows:-

1. Candidate with higher marks in MCQ paper will be ranked higher.
2. If the tie still persists, the elder candidate being given preference.
3. If tie still persists the candidate with lesser attempts at MD/DNB will be give preference.
4. If tie still persists the final MBBS marks will be considered and the candidate with the higher marks will be given preference.

Documents to be produced at the time of Counselling

1. Admit card of the Entrance Examination.
2. Originals of documents mentioned in **CLAUSE V** and any other document as mentioned in the admission memo.
3. Permanent Registration Certificate from Medical Council.

4. Certificate of Eligibility / Equivalency of the qualifying examination by the Kerala University of Health and Allied Sciences, Trissur in the case of candidates who have passed their Post Graduate Degree courses from Universities outside Kerala.

All original documents will be retained in RCC and will be returned only on successful completion of the course

IMPORTANT DATES

EVENT	DATE
Last Date for receiving completed application form	20/06/2011
Entrance Exam timing Theory Morning session 09.00-11.00 am Afternoon session 2.00 pm onwards	19/07/2011
Entrance Results	20/07/2011

Venue of Examination: Old Auditorium of Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram

Contact person / phone number: Lalitha B, Ph: 09895546790

VIII. Liquidated damages & Execution of Bond:

The general merit candidates selected for the Super Specialty Courses have to execute two bonds as in clause (a) and (b) below in stamped paper (all pages of the bond should be in stamped paper) of the value of Rs.200 of Kerala stamp paper each at the time of joining the course to the effect that :

- a) He/she shall not discontinue the Super Specialty Courses he/she has been allotted to after the validity period of the Rank List (i.e., September 30, 2011). If a student discontinues the Super Specialty Courses after the validity period of the rank list, he/she

shall pay Rs. 15/- lakhs (Rs. Fifteen lakhs only) as Liquidated damages and also the stipend /salary already received.

- b) He/she will serve the Regional Cancer Centre for a period not less than one year after the completion of the course, if the institute desires so. If any one violates this condition, it will be construed as professional misconduct and the fact reported to the Medical Council for suitable action including cancellation of registration by the Council. A penalty of Rs. 25/- lakhs (Rs. Twenty five lakhs only) will also be levied.

1. No admission shall be made without getting the bonds as detailed above executed at the time of joining. Format of bond will be available in the office of the Director/RCC web site.
2. The parents/guardians/husband/wife shall stand as sureties. The signature of the candidate and the sureties have to be attested by a Gazetted officer of state/central Government or Grama/Block/District/Panchayath President/ Municipal Chairperson/ Mayor or MLA/MP, by countersigning in the bond agreement as a witness.

IX. General

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Prospectus, the Director may at any time revise or amend any clause in the prospectus.

The jurisdiction for court cases/disputes shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of competent court at Thiruvananthapuram.

Preserve your provisional admit card which has to be produced before admission committee in case of your selection.

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