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MASTERS IN CLINICAL RADIOLOGY (MICR)

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“Masters In Clinical Radiology” (MICR) by Indian College of Radiology and Imaging (ICRI)

MICR stands for “Masters In Clinical Radiology” (MICR), an academic degree by conferred by the Indian College of Radiology and Imaging (ICRI), the academic wing of Indian Radiological and Imaging Association (IRIA). This is an honour awarded to candidates who successfully pass all steps of the examination conducted by Indian College of Radiology and Imaging.

MICR degree is awarded to a Radiologist who has successfully completed all three parts – the details as below:

- STEP 1 has two modules: part 1A – Radiological Anatomy and 1B – physics (computer based)
- STEP 2 has: 3 papers (computer based)
- STEP 3A (previously step 2B) -2 sessions (A1 Essential Radiology Reporting, A2 – Long cases)
- STEP 3B has two separate components: B1 -Viva and B2 -OSCE

Details:

A. Eligibility for MICR registration.

- Indian candidates in approved Institutions having completed or pursuing full time post graduate course training such as MD/DNB/DMRD – recognized by National board, NMC or Central Government approved University.
- International candidates in Postgraduate Radiology and Imaging full time training program approved by the respective country’s National board or University.

B. Definition of Indian and international Candidate for the purpose of MICR registration

- Indian candidates’ - Candidates pursuing or completed Radiology degree course in India and are Indian citizens at the time of application for each part of MICR and should be IRIA member (PLM/LM).
- ‘International candidates’ – Indian origin students pursuing or completed Radiology degree course outside India or anyone with non-Indian passports (IRIA membership is not mandatory for international candidates)

C. Eligibility for writing MICR step 1 exam – (basic modules)

- Radiologist in training who have completed at least **9 months** of post graduate radiology training as part of MD (RD) or DNB or DMRD, recognized by Central Government approved Universities, National board / NMC at the time of Step 1 examination. This is executed as computer-based examination in dedicated centres.
- All the Radiology post graduate degree holders from India and any abroad country also eligible to appear (as per prevailing Govt of India international regulations), subject to verification by office about the training etc.
- Candidates who are in a postgraduate training programme should be certified by the Director / head of the department and endorsed by the head of the institution; this needs to be uploaded during the registration process.
- This part consists of two modules – Radiological Anatomy /techniques and Physics. Candidates may attempt both modules together (in a single sitting) – usually conducted on single day, in any order but fees do not vary (see FAQ)
- Candidates need to pass both modules (anatomy and physics) to be successful at STEP I of the MICR examination.

D. Eligibility for writing MICR STEP 2 exam – CORE – Theory

- Candidates who have passed MICR step I and have completed 15 months of an approved post graduate training (at the time of examination) in Radiology, can attempt step 2; passing step 2 is mandatory before taking step 3A
- Candidates need to pass all three papers under step 2 for successful completion. In case of failure even in one paper, the candidate has to repeat all 3 papers again.
- Candidates who are in a postgraduate training programme should be certified by the Director / head of the department and endorsed by the head of the institution; this needs to be uploaded during the registration process.

Changes from 2024: the previous step 2B has been moved– to combine with Step 3 – as single exam (to be called as step3A/3B) – having four components A1; Essential Radiology reporting A2: long cases reporting (both components to have the similar format and to be conducted in designated computer centre); B1: Viva B2: Osce (both components similar to current Step 3) both A & B components will be conducted on separate days within the same week or weekend (please see regulations for step 3 below for passing criteria).

Candidate can choose to take step 3A alone and to be passed before taking 3B.

If the candidate All components to be cleared by the candidate at the same time to clear the entire Step 3. The existing candidates who has failed Step 2B, hereafter will have to take Step 3 – directly as single exam.

E. Eligibility for writing MICR STEP 3 - certifying exam

- **Step 3A:** Candidates should have completed at least 18 months of post-graduate Radiology training
- Candidates need to pass A1; Essential Radiology reporting A2: long cases reporting (both components to have the similar format and to be conducted in designated centres ass
- Passing both components of 3A to be declared successful; In case of failure in one component, the candidate has to repeat both components again.
- *Candidate can choose to take step 3A alone and need to be passed before taking 3B.*

- **Step 3B:** *Candidates should have completed at least 3 years (36 months) of post-graduate Radiology training (such as MD, DNB) OR DMRD + one year of senior residency (SR) and all passing and completion certificates to b uploaded*
- Candidates completed DMRD and has not completed senior residency training, are still eligible to write part 3, if they have completed 3 years of full-time consultant (self-employed or employed) radiologist experience after DMRD.
- For those completed 3 years of post-graduate training but still waiting for results or degree, still can take the part 3 exam, as long as 36 months of training is certified by the Director or Head of the department and endorsed by the head of the institution but results will be withheld till the university results are announced in such cases and the candidate has to send in their pass or degree certificate.

- Step 3 – components are Viva and OSCE, are parts of the same exam and conducted together in same day; both sections have to be passed to achieve the eligibility for MICR degree.
- If the candidate chooses to take step 3A/3B together (after 36 months of training completion), a separate pass in all components of 3A (A1, A2) and 3B (Viva / OSCE) are essential for completion of MICR.
- If the candidate fail in 3A and pass in 3B, they have to take both components of step 3 again in the following manner; they have to attempt 3A separately again, pass this component and then have to appear for 3B again; however, if they pass 3A and fail in 3B, they are eligible to take only 3B part of step 3 in the next sitting.

End.