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To: All Provincial Secretaries,

Deputy Director General, NHSL,

Deputy Director General, National Hospital, Kandy,

All Provincial Directors of Health Services,

All Regional Directors of Health Services,

All Directors of Teaching Hospitals, Provincial General Hospitals, District General Hospitals,

All Head of Decentralized Units of Health Services and Specialized Campaigns.

All Medical Superintendents of Base Hospitals,

All Specialist Medical Officers.

Annual Transfers of Specialist Medical Officers – 2021

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

- 01. All the posts where Specialist Medical Officers have completed 04 years from the effective date of the transfer order by 31.12.2020 are marked as "A" and such posts should be considered as **listed vacant posts**.
- O2. All the posts of Specialist Medical Officers due to complete 02 years or more from the effective date of transfer order by 31.12.2020 are marked as "B". These posts should be considered as **potentially vacant posts** and will fall vacant only as a result of the Specialist Medical Officers currently occupying these posts getting selected to different posts. Therefore, candidates are hereby adviced to consider all the potentially vacant stations while making their preference order.
- O3. All the <u>new stations</u> advertised in the annual transfer list 2021, should be considered as new vacant posts for all the Specialist Medical Officers who have completed at least one year of service in the same station in the present post, except for the Specialist Medical officers occupying End posts who have to complete 4 years in their service before applying for transferable posts.

- 04. For completeness of the list, all the end posts are also included. These posts are however not available for annual transfers which are due to take effect from **01.01.2021**. Vacancies of end stations will be advertised separately. Applications for end posts should not be forwarded with reference to this advertisement.
- O5. Following categories of Specialist Medical Officers who were formally appointed to the Specialist Grade by the Public Service Commission or by the Health Services Committee of the Public Service Commission before 31.12.2020 are eligible to apply.
 - A. Those who have completed 04 years in transferable posts from the effective date of the transfer order by 31.12.2020.
 - B. Those who have completed 02 years or more in transferable posts from the effective date of the transfer order by 31.12.2020.
 - C. Specialist Medical Officers in transferable posts who have completed one year of service in the same station can apply only for the New Vacant Posts and other officers who are mentioned in above A & B can also apply for the new vacant posts.
 - D. Specialist Medical Officers Occupying End Posts who have completed 04 years in same station.
 - E. Medical Officers who are Board Certified as Specialists by the PGIM by 31.12.2020 and Medical officers pending grade promotion to Specialist Grade by Health Service Committee / Public Service Commission may also apply for this transfer. But this category of officers will be considered for allocation of placement only if they are formally grade promoted to Specialist Grade by, HSC / PSC, by the time of approval of the annual transfer list by the HSC/PSC. These applicants are requested to attach the board certification letter certified by PGIM along with the application.
- 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. Applicants belonging to this category, 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 group "A" mentioned in the above paragraph (paragraph 06) and forward the transfer applications to the Department as indicated in section 12 below.
- O8. 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 01 week of the closing date, mentioned herein. No subsequent withdrawals will be entertained and if the applicant is selected to the post he/ she will have to accept this post. Please note that any change of preference list will not be entertained during the application withdrawal period.

- 09. Those who turns 61 years of age during the one year period starting from 01.01.2021 are eligible to remain at the same stations even after 4 years of service in the same station until they are, 63 years. However, these Specialist Medical officers should submit their applications online indicating their current station as their 1st preference and send the hard copy with the request letter to this effect.
- 10. Specialist Medical Officers should apply for the annual transfers from the station assigned to the officer in the last annual / replacement transfer order
- 11. If a Specialist Medical Officer has an issue regarding the vacancies in the annual transfer list, in a particular specialty, it should be informed to the Ministry of Health immediately.
- 12. All eligible applicants are hereby requested to submit their applications on line. The online application is available at medserv.health.gov.lk. The online system will be ready for application from 05/04/2021 onwards till the closing date.

Upon submission of the online application, a print out should be taken for certification by the respective Head of the Institution. The certified application should be sent to Director (Tertiary Care Services) via post and fax to reach on or before <u>18.04.2021</u>

Director (Tertiary Care Services), Ministry of Health, "Suwasiripaya", 385, Baddegama Wimalawansa Mw., Colombo 10.

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- 13. The annual transfer of Specialist Medical Officers for the year 2021 (effective from 01.01.2021) will be done as per Gazette notification 1176/15 dated of 22.03.2001 and 1883/17 dated 11/10/2014. Points will be calculated up to 31.12.2020 for the annual transfers of the year 2021.
- 14. As on previous occasions an opportunity will be given to candidates to appeal against the transfers made by the Transfer Board with in 15 days. Once all applications are considered for both the listed vacant and potentially vacant stations, any remaining vacancies will be available for appeals.

Please note that <u>only those candidates</u> who applied for the main transfer list 2021 would be eligible to apply for the appeal list 2020. Also the vacancies arising from **transferring the officers who are completed only one year in to** new vacant posts will not be opened for the appeal list.

The annual transfer list is available in the Ministry Web site www.health.gov.lk.

This Transfer Scheme would be applicable initially for the year 2021

This Notification is published with the consent of the Health Service Committee of the Public Service Commission.

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