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All Intern Medical Officers (2018/2019 Repeat Batch)

ENGAGEMENT OF INTERN MEDICAL OFFICERS OCTOBER 2026
INTAKE - 2018/2019 (REPEAT BATCH)

1. The following Medical Graduates will be engaged as Intern Medical Officers in the Department of Health Services with effect from **26/10/2026** to enable them to qualify for full registration as Medical Practitioners in terms of the Medical Ordinance.

2. These Officers should be paid the allowance as indicated in General Circular No.10/2025 dated 25/03/2025.

3. Their internship will be terminated if their work and conduct during this period is found unsatisfactory. They will be required to abide by the Regulations, of the Establishment Code, the Financial Regulations, the Departmental Rules and Regulations, and Regulations of the Government and the orders of the Department of Health Services that may be issued from time to time. Private Practice in any form is strictly prohibited to Intern Medical Officers.

4. Intern Medical Officers are not entitled to any paid leave. Leave is restricted to 14 days, of which not more than two days should be taken at a time, except in the case of illness. If leave taken for more than 14 days, the extra leave period of the relevant appointment must be repeated. However, any leave should be covered by a medical certificate and approved by the Ministry of Health. If for any reason the period of Internship of an Intern is extended, that Intern is not entitled to any emoluments during that period.

5. Intern Medical Officers should have white overcoats with them for use. Heads of Institutions are required to ensure that white coats are worn by the Intern Medical Officers while attending clinical duties.

6. They should report to the Head of the Institution to which they are posted by 8.00 a.m. on the first day of the commencement of their Intern appointments.

7. Intern Medical Officers are entitled to obtain second-class railway warrants for the officer only, from the medical institution closest to his/her residence, for travel to the station at which he/she is posted. Such warrants will be issued on the production of this letter.

8. The date of assumption of duties by these officers should be reported to this office through Health 373 form.

9. Medical Officers with foreign qualifications are appointed under section 31 of the Medical Ordinance.

10. ALL INTERN MEDICAL OFFICERS SHOULD REPORT FOR DUTY TO THEIR RESPECTIVE STATIONS BY 26/10/2026.

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