



## SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

### PALLIATIVE CARE

#### Final Written Examination

##### Examination Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diplomas final examination shall consist of one paper with 80-120 single best answer Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs). Up to 10% unscored MSQs can be added for calibration purposes.

##### Passing Score:

The passing score is 70%. However, if the percentage of candidates passing the examination before final approval is less than 70%, the passing score must be lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or 65% passing score whichever comes first. Under no circumstances can the passing score be reduced below 65%.





**Blueprint Outlines:**

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Pain Management	25%
2	Non-Pain Symptoms Management	20%
3	Approach to Care	10%
4	Communication and Multidisciplinary Teamwork	8%
5	Diagnosis	7%
6	Grief and Bereavement	5%
7	Advance Care Planning and Legal Decision Making	5%
8	Dying and Hospice	5%
9	Psychosocial and Spiritual Care	5%
10	Non-Malignant Diseases	5%
11	Pediatrics Palliative Care	5%
<b>Total</b>		<b>100%</b>

**Note:**

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-5% in each category.
- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. See the SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.
- Research, Ethics, Professionalism and Patient Safety are incorporated within various domains.





**Suggested References:**

- Saudi Palliative Care National Clinical Guideline for Oncology
- National Comprehensive Cancer Network
- Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide
- Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition

**Note:**

This list is intended for use as a study aid only. SCFHS does not intend the list to imply endorsement of these specific references, nor are the exam questions necessarily taken solely from these sources.

