



## SAUDI FELLOWSHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

### ADULT CARDIOLOGY

#### Final Examination

##### Exam Format:

A Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diploma 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%.





### **Suggested References:**

1. Heart Disease- A textbook of cardiovascular medicine By Braunwald, Zipes and Libby
2. Cardiology By M. Crawford, J. DiMarco, and W. Paulus
3. Textbook of Interventional Cardiology By Topol
4. Textbook of Clinical Echocardiography By C. Otto
5. Feigenbaum's Echocardiography
6. The Echo Manual By J. Oh
7. ASE's Comprehensive Echocardiography
8. Hemodynamic Rounds By M. Kern
9. The Art and Science of bedside diagnosis By Sapira
10. Interventional Cardiology By Singer
11. Mayo Clinic Cardiovascular Board Review By J. Murphy and M. Lloyd  
Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. Ghaiath MA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition.
12. 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.





### Blueprint Outlines:

| No.          | Sections  | Percentage  |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| 1            | Basic sciences <sup>1</sup> / Cardiac Pathology/ Cardiac Physiology   | 9%          |
| 2            | Clinical examination  | 7%          |
| 3            | Systemic/Pulmonary hypertension                                       | 5%          |
| 4            | Aortic disease /Heart disease and pregnancy                           | 6%          |
| 5            | Coronary artery diseases  | 20%         |
| 6            | Cardiomyopathies and Heart Failure                                    | 13%         |
| 7            | Cardiac Arrhythmia  | 9%          |
| 8            | Valvular diseases   | 17%         |
| 9            | Adult congenital heart diseases<br>ACHD/Pericardial/Systemic diseases | 7%          |
| 10           | Cardiac pharmacology  | 7%          |
| <b>Total</b> |   | <b>100%</b> |

1. Includes cardiac channels disease and post Ischemic changes

#### **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.

