## **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **Readmission Procedure for Admission Regulation Offending Colleges**

As a healthcare regulator, PMC is committed to maintaining transparency in the admission processes and ensure every student inducted into any medical or dental college in Pakistan meets the merit set by the body.

According to the Admission Regulations (Amended), 2020-2021 of Pakistan Medical Commission, 50% marks were allocated to MDCAT, 30% marks were allocated to F.sc and 20% marks were allocated to private medical and dental college's interviews.

PMC had provided all private medical and dental colleges with their initial merit lists which included 50% MDCAT and 30% F.sc. marks. It was required of these colleges to conduct their interviews and incorporate the 20% marks reserved for interviews and provide their final merit lists to PMC for verification.

Upon reviewing these lists, in conjunction with receiving numerous complaints from students regarding violations in the admission processes, PMC found discrepancies in the allocation of 20% interview marks across several private medical and dental colleges.

Keeping in view PMC's mandate for transparency and meritocracy, any student who didn't get admission in the said college or any other college and merit is higher than that college, they can re-apply provided they are not admitted to a college. Upon verification by the PMC and if they fall within the merit, they will be granted admission subject to payment of fees within 48 hours.

This process would have been unnecessary had these private medical and dental colleges observed more just and fairer practices in their admission processes. The process must be transparent and follow the admission's criteria disclosed by colleges prior to the admissions.

As the regulatory body responsible for setting the standards for medical and dental education, PMC will not allow the failure of colleges to maintain transparency and meritocracy to deteriorate this country's education system, especially when these students are to go on and serve our public's healthcare interests.

Pakistan Medical Commission is committed to the ideals of transparency & honesty and will continue to instill them across every medical and dental institute of Pakistan.