



WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF CLINICAL PHYSIOLOGY SCIENCES (WACCPS)

PRIMARY, MEMBERSHIP, AND FELLOWSHIP TRAINING, EXAMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION IN THE WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF CLINICAL PHYSIOLOGY SCIENCES (WACCPS):

Training Requirements/Examinations/Designation

Eligibility: (WACCPS Professional Training in Clinical Physiology)

- 1) Bachelor's degree in Physiology or a related field (e.g. Health Sciences)
- 2) Registration with a relevant professional organization

Primary Examination

The primary examination is the first step in the WACCPS's examination process. It assesses candidates' foundational knowledge in clinical physiology sciences.

- **Eligibility:** Candidates must meet specific requirements, including a relevant degree and completion of a certified training program.
- **Examination format:** The examination consist of multiple-choice questions, short-answer questions, and/or practical/clinical components.

Training Requirements for Membership Examination

The West African College of Clinical Physiology Sciences (**WACCPS**) requires candidates to undergo structured training programs before sitting for the Membership examination. These programs may include:

Training Programs for Membership

- 1) **Clinical Physiology Training:** Candidates must complete a recognized training program in clinical physiology sciences.
- 2) **Practical Experience:** Hands-on training in relevant clinical settings.
- 3) **Supervised Clinical Practice:** Candidates are required to complete a specified period of supervised clinical practice.

Alternative Route for Membership

Alternatively, candidates with significant experience in clinical physiology may be eligible to sit for the Membership examination. Requirements may include:

- 1) **Years of Experience:** A minimum of 5 years of experience working in a clinical physiology unit, with evidence of continuous professional development.
- 2) **Professional Development:** Candidates must provide evidence of ongoing professional development, including attendance at conferences, workshops, and relevant training programs.
 - Examination format: The examination consist of:
 - Written components (e.g., multiple-choice questions, short-answer questions)
 - Practical components (e.g., clinical skills assessment)
 - Case-based discussions

Training Requirements for Fellowship Examination

For the Fellowship examination, candidates are expected to have advanced training and experience beyond the Membership level. Requirements may include:

Training Programs for Fellowship

- 1) **Advanced Clinical Physiology Training:** Candidates must complete advanced training in a specialized area of clinical physiology sciences.
- 2) **Research and Publication:** Candidates are required to conduct original research, publish papers, and present at conferences.
- 3) **Leadership and Expertise:** Candidates are expected to demonstrate leadership and expertise in their field, including mentorship, teaching, or other forms of professional service.

Alternative Route for Fellowship

Alternatively, candidates with extensive experience and expertise in clinical physiology may be eligible to sit for the Fellowship examination. Requirements may include:

- 1) **Years of Experience:** A minimum of 10 years of experience working in a clinical physiology unit, with evidence of significant contributions to the field.
- 2) **Professional Achievements:** Candidates must provide evidence of significant professional achievements, including publications, presentations, and leadership roles.

Designations

1. Primary Examination:

- Licentiate of the West African College of Clinical Physiology Sciences (LWCCPS)
- Certified Clinical Physiologist (CCP)

2. Membership Examination:

- Member of the West African College of Clinical Physiology Sciences (MWCCPS)
- Certified Specialist in Clinical Physiology (CSCP)

3. Fellowship Examination:

- Fellow of the West African College of Clinical Physiology Sciences (FWCCPS)
- Diplomate in Clinical Physiology (DCP)