Additional file 1: Logistic regression formula of PPR in the NMLE

Forced entry method: $\log\{p/(1-p)\} = 7.75849 - 0.13301 \times \text{age at}$ admission $+ 1.00772 \times \text{female} + 1.60261 \times \text{neighborhood} - 0.77012 \times \text{type of}$ HS (public) $- 0.03346 \times \text{level of HS} + 0.26591 \times \text{HS GPA} + 0.03069 \times$ NCTUA score $- 0.02104 \times \text{score in liberal arts} + 0.00456 \times \text{TOEFL score} + 0.03728 \times \text{score in basic sciences in the first year} + 0.09396 \times \text{score in basic}$ biomedical sciences in the second year $- 0.35949 \times \text{score}$ in pre-clinical medical sciences from the third to fourth years $+ 0.16101 \times \text{CBT-IRT}$ score $- 0.05099 \times \text{Pre-CC OSCE}$ score $+ 1.42424 \times \text{performance}$ in clinical clerkship from the fifth to sixth years $+ 1.72797 \times \text{achievement}$ in the graduation examination $+ 0.68164 \times \text{with holdover}$.

Stepwise method: $\log\{p/(1-p)\} = 11.65386 - 0.15522 \times \text{age at admission}$ + $1.57629 \times \text{neighborhood} - 0.25435 \times \text{score in pre-clinical medical sciences}$ from the third to fourth years + $0.16662 \times \text{CBT-IRT score} + 1.4537 \times \text{performance in clinical clerkship from the fifth to sixth years} + 1.70081 \times \text{achievement in the graduation examination.}$