



Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education & Research

(An Institution of National Importance Under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India)

Dhanvantari Nagar, Puducherry – 605 006

Academic Section

Guidelines for Observership for Foreign National Candidates pursuing a postgraduate degree or residency

Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Education and Research (JIPMER), Puducherry offers Short-term Observership to Foreign National candidates as part of their residency/postgraduate training of one to six months. JIPMER or the Government of India will have no financial obligations on their part.

Eligibility criteria:

1. Foreign Nationals who are currently pursuing a postgraduate medical or dental degree (or equivalent, e.g. residency fellowship programme) after completing MBBS or BDS or an equivalent degree) in another country, and
2. Registered with the medical or dental council/board of their respective country, and
3. Sponsored by their Government or institution of the applicant. The applicant should be duly recommended by the Dean or another equivalent authority at the applicant's College/University/Institution. This observership program should be a part of the course program of the applicant's institution and therefore, it is essential that applicants must continue to be in training of the sponsoring institution, till the end of their observership program at JIPMER, Puducherry.

Applications of private practitioners will not be considered.

Application procedure:

The applicants should send the following documents to the Dean (Academic), JIPMER:

1. Duly filled-in application form (3 original copies)
2. Self-attested copy of passport (should be valid until the completion of the applied period of observership) (3 original copies)
3. Recommendation letter from the Dean or the Head of the applicant's institution (3 original copies), supporting the applicant's candidature for the observership program and confirming the eligibility.
4. A copy of the valid medical or dental registration certificate (3 photocopies).
5. Self-attested photocopies of degree certificates of graduate qualification, and postgraduate qualification (if applicable) (3 photocopies).

The above documents should be sent by post to the following address:

The Dean (Academic),
Third floor, JIPMER Academic Centre,
JIPMER, Dhanvantari Nagar PO.,
Puducherry 605006

Application and training fees:

A bank draft for US\$125 should be sent along with their application form for observership program, made in the name of Dean (Academic), drawn on State Bank of India, JIPMER branch, Dhanvantari Nagar, Puducherry.

After obtaining permission observership program at JIPMER, the applicant will have to pay a training fee in Indian rupees equivalent to 200 U.S Dollars for the first month followed by 100 U.S Dollars for the subsequent month(s) at the time of joining.

Approval and permission:

Upon receiving the applicant's documents and processing fee, the application will be processed and forwarded to the Ministry of External affairs, New Delhi, Government of India for obtaining permission for observership program. Approval from the Ministry of External affairs, Government of India is mandatory. For observership, JIPMER does not require permission of the National Medical Commission, India.

It may take up to 3 to 4 months to process the application and get official permission from authorities/Government of India (Ministry of External Affairs and National Medical Commission). The applicant will be informed as soon as the permission has been granted.

Candidates should thus apply 6 (six) months in advance. They should plan their visit only after receiving a confirmation letter from the institute.

Eligibility of a candidate for observership does not automatically offer enrolment in the observership program.

Important information:

During the observership, trainees **cannot** perform or be involved in any patient-care related activities. The choice of departments/discipline preferred for posting by the applicants should be mentioned in their application form.

Applicants should wear formal clothes and a white coat/apron while attending the observership program. The Institute will NOT provide any financial assistance under any

circumstances. At the time of application, the applicants MUST disclose details regarding the source of funding for their visit.

Please note:

- This observership will not lead to the award of any degree/diploma.
- The observership program can be availed only once. A repeat opportunity is not allowed.

Devising an Observership program:

Heads of the departments willing to provide observership program in their department should place the proposal containing details such as the desired qualification for eligibility, program contents, and duration of the observership program to the Observership committee for its approval. It is important that the presence of Short-Term Observers in a particular department should not disrupt the training of postgraduates/residents in the department.

Observership rules:

Duration:

The duration of observership depends on the choice of the applicants and the feasibility of the department. Observers will not be allowed hands-on training/clinical work.

Certification:

The certificate for Short-term observership will be issued ONLY by the Academic Section. The training departments are not authorized to issue any certificate to this effect.

Undertaking:

The candidate must sign the following undertaking forms before joining his/her observership:

1. That they will maintain good conduct and that they have understood their roles and responsibilities during the observership (format of undertaking is enclosed).
2. That he/she will not use this observership for advertisement on letter head, visiting card, name plate, etc.,

Accommodation:

Hostel accommodation will be provided subject to availability on payment basis.

Applicants should have a Valid Travel Visa and a Valid Travel Medical Insurance. The visit of foreign nationals is subject to clearance from Ministry of External Affairs. The candidates should report to JIPMER only after receipt of a letter confirming the dates from Academic Section, JIPMER.

Dean (Academic)

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Puducherry,605 006.

Application form for observership at JIPMER for foreign medical students

1	Name (in full & in capital letters) and address in the native country	
2	Applicant's photo to be affixed in the space on the right (recent photo of size 51 mm x 51 mm, covering face and shoulders)	
3	Nationality	
4	Father's /Mother's name	
5	Date and Place of Birth	
6	Passport No., date and Place of issue (Please attach three Photocopies)	
7	E-mail address	
8	Contact phone number	
9	Address for communication (Primary mode of communication will be through e-mail)	
10	Applicant's likely address in India during stay (if available)	
11	Name & address of the applicant's College/University	

12	Graduate qualification	
13	Name of the course and the year that the applicant is currently pursuing	
14	Year of admission in the course that the applicant is currently pursuing	
15	Whether the applicant has taken the minimum time for reaching the current stage in the medical course; if more, please explain	
16	Department/Discipline applied for	
17	Period of observership requested	From To
18	Expectations of the applicant during the elective training (200 words)	
19	Source of funding	
20	Whether three copies of reference letter from the Dean, Medical College /University that is sponsoring the applicant is attached?	
21	Any other relevant information on the subject	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> Date Signature of the Applicant </div>		