**Sheikh Khalifa Medical City - Ajman**

**Residency Program for Emirati Physicians**

1. **Objectives and scopes**

SKMCA offers residency training programs for physicians who completed their medical degree and the internship requirements. In-line with the vision and mission of SKMCA, this program is focused on several subspecialties such as Diabetes, Orthopedics, Gastroenterology and Feto-maternal medicine.

To pursue clinical excellence for Emiratization, the program will:

1. Provide the candidate with world leading specialized practice within a chosen clinical field. The programs can be tailored individually to produce the expected learning outcomes

2. Enhance the clinical expertise in SKMCA; and

3. Increase the clinical capacity and expertise between SKMCA and the local community

Additionally, the international residency program includes focused clinical practice in a goal-oriented approach that is underpinned by:

1. Supervision from an expert clinical preceptor;
2. Clinical observership
3. Clinical conference attendance; and
4. Clinical mentoring
5. **Eligibility**

**Pre-requisite for applicants includes:**

* + - UAE National medical doctors who completed their Internship, to be approved by Swedish health authorities.
    - Candidates should not have been out of clinical practice for more than 12 months at any point.
    - Ability to speak the Swedish language, in order to communicate with Swedish patients (Swedish language lessons will be provided as part of the residency program)
    - Eagerness to learn from the Swedish healthcare system.
    - Residency application to be approved by the Swedish health authorities
    - Candidates will sign an undertaking to work at Sheikh Khalifa Medical City – Ajman for a period equivalent to the length of the training plus two years.

1. **Course length**

Typically, the residency program is 5 years, comprising of:

* + - Swedish language proficiency
    - Clinical rotations
    - Supervised practice

1. **Application Process**

* The Application Process takes approximately 12 months and follows the below structure:
  + - Submit application to SkåneCare following the protocol @ http://skanecare.com/training-programmes/#section1SkåneCare
    - SkåneCare will review the application and initiate the process
    - If an available seat is identified an interview with the clinic in question will be arranged (in person or via skype together with a representative from SkåneCare).
    - If the candidate is approved in this competitive process, a letter of acceptance with specified training periods, is issued.
    - In UAE the candidate applies for a financial guarantee or a type of sponsorship (which is needed to be able to move forward with the Swedish migration agency).
    - The sponsor approved financial guarantee is sent to the Swedish migration agency with the application for a residency permit (3-5 months’ application processing time).
    - Relocation process supported by SkåneCare is initiated.
    - The introduction year is initiated as per date in the letter of acceptance.
* For this type of programs, SkåneCare will require an agreement with the accountable body in the UAE. For each of the candidates an individual agreement will be set up.

1. **Certificate obtained after completion of the course**

* A certificate will be issued by Skåne University Hospital upon successful completion of training.

1. **Following completion of the course**
   * It will be expected that following successful completion of the residency program, the successful candidate will take up a specialist clinical role within SKMCA within their chosen specialty.

**For more information about the residency program, please contact the Director – Education, Training and Research at SKMCA on etr.department@skmca.ae.**