

**SINGAPORE MEDICAL COUNCIL****ACCREDITATION OF NON-SPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAM FOR FELLOWSHIP**

Institution: National University Hospital  
Period of Training: 6-12 months  
Department: Department of Surgery

**PROGRAM DIRECTOR**

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**TITLE OF TRAINING PROGRAM**

Neuro-oncology Fellowship Training Program (Neurosurgery)

**SENIOR CONSULTANT/CONSULTANTS**

A/Prof Yeo Tseng Tsai  
A/Prof Chou Ning  
Asst Prof Sein Lwin  
Asst Prof Teo Kejia  
Asst Prof Vincent Nga

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

MRCS (or equivalent)

**COMPONENTS OF TRAINING**

- Type of training: Clinical  
Ward rounds, outpatient clinics, teaching sessions (daily), mortality and morbidity rounds, Clinical research projects, operating room exposure, attendance at local meetings, night duties/calls.
- Frequency: Daily (Monday to Friday), and occasionally on weekends for night duties/calls.

**TRAINING DURATION**

Fellowship duration is 6 to 12 months.

**OBJECTIVES OF THE TRAINING PROGRAMME**

The Neuro-oncology Fellowship is aimed at providing the necessary clinical training so as to acquire expertise in the diagnosis, treatment and management of patients with different oncology-themed intracranial and intraspinal neurological disorders. There will be frequent exposure to various intrinsic and extrinsic pathologies of the brain and the spine.

At the end of the training, the fellow is expected to achieve competency in the management of Neuro-oncological patients in the emergency, elective, outpatient and inpatient settings.

**METHOD OF TRAINING**

Regular supervision and guidance through the above mentioned program

### **HOSPITALS AND DEPARTMENTS WHICH FELLOWS WILL BE ROTATED THROUGH**

The trainee will have direct supervision and training contact time with the Division of Neurosurgery at National University Hospital (NUH). The trainee will not be rotated to other hospitals.

### **SUPERVISION**

1. A consultant will be assigned to oversee and co-ordinate learning and clinical activities of the fellow for the 12 months of training. He/ she will not be assigned to supervise more than 2 fellows, at any one time.
2. He/she will be responsible for the evaluation of fellow's progress and will give feedback to the fellow regarding areas of concern.
3. All clinical work that the fellow is responsible for will be supervised by the senior consultants or consultants within the Division.

### **ASSESSMENT**

Assessment of the fellows will be as per the SMC assessment and assessed by the assigned supervisors.

Appraisal by all the consultants in the division as well as feedback (self appraisals).

### **RESEARCH**

1. All fellows would be encouraged to take part in division related audits and research projects.
2. Fellows will also be actively engaged in research implementation, design and execution.

### **CRITERIA FOR TERMINATION**

Any disciplinary or academic/intellectual shortcomings