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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR
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On behalf of the Movement Disorder Society of India (MDSI), applications are invited (in the attached application form) from interested members (Neurologists) of MDSI for the Visiting Neurologists Program (VN) program at Kansas, USA, details of which are given below:

- (1) VN is a ONE month in-person Movement Disorders training program at the Parkinson's Disease & Movement Disorder Center University of Kansas Medical Center, under the mentorship of Dr. Rajesh Pahwa who is currently the Director.
- (2) VN program is a joint initiative of MDSI and Dr. Rajesh Pahwa, KUMC, USA and funded by KUMC.
- (3) Availability: There will be 2 visiting rotation per year (updated yearly)
- (4) The selection of candidates will be done jointly by MDSI and Dr. Rajesh Pahwa's team.

Proposed Guidelines for VN program

1. Open to only regular members (Neurologists) of MDSI
2. Age of applicant < 40 years at the time of application
3. The applicant has completed or doing fellowship in Movement Disorders in any Centre in India or has shown significant interest and credentials in the field of Movement Disorders.
4. Did not have the opportunity for training/ fellowship/ observership outside India
5. Would qualify for US Visa or has an appropriate valid visa to travel to the USA
6. Recommendation letter from one MDSI regular member or the applicant's Fellowship Director
7. It is desirable that the applicant has few publications in the field of Movement Disorders
8. Should come back to India and be willing to contribute actively to MDSI and initiate movement disorders services

Important dates:

- (1) Call for application: 1st January, 2026
- (2) Last date of submission of completed application: 1st February, 2026
- (3) Short-listing of applicants and notifications: 15th to 20th February, 2026
- (4) Interview on Zoom: First/Second week of March, 2026
- (5) Notification of selected candidates: Around 31st March, 2026
- (6) Start of VN: May to October, 2026 (dates to be finalized by Dr. Pahwa).



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Further details of VN:

TITLE: Visiting Neurologists Program (VN)

Program Director: Rajesh Pahwa, MD

Contacts: Kelly Lyons, PhD (klyons@kumc.edu), Kimberly Connelly (kconnelly@kumc.edu)

Site: Parkinson's disease and Movement Disorder Clinic

Partnership: This is a partnership between Movement Disorder Society (India) (MDS-I) and the Parkinson's Disease and Movement Disorder Center.

Physician Selection: MDSI will invite physicians interested in participating in this program. They will do the initial screening and the final selection would be a joint selection decision between the two partners. Neurologists with interest in movement disorders will be selected

Availability: There will be 2 visiting rotation per year (updated yearly)

Learning Objectives:

- Participants will appraise the workflow, teamwork and cascade of patient care in a Movement Disorder Clinic
- Participants will observe the evaluation and treatment of patients with movement disorders in US.
- Participants will review clinical research in movement disorders.

Activities:

1. Observe Movement disorders neurologists evaluating patients in the clinic.
2. Observe programming of patients with deep brain stimulation
3. Observe botulinum toxin techniques and injections for movement disorder patients
4. Observe patients undergoing deep brain stimulation and focused ultrasound
5. Observe clinical research activities
6. Attend grand rounds and other teaching activities regarding movement disorders

Prearrival activities: Prior to coming to KUMC, Observer will meet the mentor virtually on a regular basis to get an understanding of the different activities that are available. In addition, there will be regular teaching activities between the observer and mentor. Additionally, Observers will complete the CFHI Pillars of Global Health provided by OIP as well as all required onboarding paperwork required by the institution.

Projected Budget/Observer (funded by the Parkinson's Disease Center at KUMC):

- UPTO A MAXIMUM OF 7500 USD