

FY 2018 Application Guidelines
The Japanese Society of Anesthesiologists Seeks Applications for Clinical Training in Japan

In FY 2018, the Japanese Society of Anesthesiologists (JSA) invites applications for clinical training in Japan, based on the following guidelines:

※Cancellation after selection will not be accepted by any reason. You may be entitled to a refund of costs or compensation. Please ensure the leave for coming to Japan would surely be promised before application. For application the certificate of your leave for training period with the sign of Hospital Director is required.

1. Purpose and Eligible Countries

An opportunity to receive clinical training in Japan will be provided to promote anesthesiology in developing countries, and foster those who will be able to lead anesthesiology in such countries in the future.

Eligible countries in FY 2018 are not specifically limited, though we would have priority to support those from developing countries. Subsidies, such as for travel costs and living expenses for the stay in Japan, will be provided to selected trainees according to the regulation and institutes that will receive them.

2. Application Period

Tuesday, August 1st, 2017 to Friday September 29th, 2017 (Japan time)

Trainees for this program will be selected from applicants whose application forms have reached the JSA Secretariat during this period.

3. Training Period

Starting Date: May 1, 2018 OR August 1, 2018

Duration: 89 days including the days of arrival and departure

*Once the training period is fixed the trainee would not be allowed to change the period by any reason.

4. Number of Selected Trainees

A few

5. Field

Clinical anesthesia

Note: Based on Japanese laws, selected trainees are not allowed to engage in clinical training in Japan related to medical care, surgical operations, etc. until they obtain permission from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare.

Clinical training will be conducted at hospitals designated by the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare to receive foreign doctors for training. The hospitals to receive selected trainees will offer them cooperation in completing their procedure to obtain permission from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare regarding their clinical training in Japan, as well as for preparing visa application documents. Note that obtaining the permission from the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare takes at least 3 months before the training starts.

6. Application Eligibility

Anyone who wishes to apply for this program must satisfy all the following conditions:

- (1) Has obtained a medical license either in his/her home country or another country;
- (2) Is able to concentrate on this program. If at work, must quit the job or take a temporary leave from the job before the clinical training in Japan. No accompanying person is acceptable;
- (3) Is not working while an international student receiving support from JSA; and
- (4) Is healthy both mentally and physically.
- (5) Has appropriate communicating abilities (skills) in English and/or in Japanese.
- (6) Is 40 years old or under at the time starting the training.

Note: Applications from military personnel or civilians currently serving in military service are not accepted. If the applicant works in military related institutions he or she has to state the fact on the application form.

7. Subsidy Provision Period

- From the start of the provision to the end of the training (up to 90 days) according to JSA regulation.
- Expenses for the stay in Japan beyond the above provision period shall be borne by the relevant international student.
- Even if training is not completed during the subsidy provision period, the provision period will not be extended.

8. Subsidy Details and Provision Method

- (1) Travel costs: JSA will designate an international student travel schedule and route, and issue the least expensive air ticket, in principle, for the shortest distance from the international airport in the capital of his/her country to Narita/Haneda International Airport. The sales tax for such air ticket, entry and departure taxes, airport facility use charge, etc. (excluding (3) below) shall be borne by the international student.
- (2) Living expenses for the stay in Japan: In accordance with the regulations regarding selected trainees on Japanese government scholarships (those studying in Japan for research), the following amounts will be provided (based on the FY 2016 unit values regarding scholarships by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology to selected trainees on Japanese government scholarships):

Accommodation costs (house rental/hotel charge): Up to 5,000 yen per day, at most 100,000 yen per month will be transferred based on receipts to the bank account of the institute receiving the relevant international student.

The institute receiving the international student shall pay the proper amounts to the international student, and then submit to JSA a copy of the receipt with the international student's signature of having received the money.

Clinical training related expenses: This includes application fee for the clinical training license to the Ministry of Health, Labor and Welfare and liability insurance expenses, etc. UP to 50,000 yen will be transferred to the bank account of the institute receiving the international student. The amount shall be the fee on formal receipts and not exceed 50,000 yen.
Other living expenses for the stay in Japan such as utility costs etc will be covered by JSA according to the regulation.

- (3) International airport facility use charge and passenger security service charge: If an international student leaves Japan on the date approved by JSA, in principle, his/her Japanese international airport facility use charge and passenger security service charge to be borne by him/her will be paid by JSA to his/her travel agency when JSA pays his/her air travel fees to the agency.
- (4) Expenses for travel in Japan: Expenses for travel between the Japanese international airport that an international student will use to enter or leave Japan and the place where the institute receiving the international student is located will be borne by JSA in accordance with our regulations.

Note: All other costs, including the below expenses, shall be borne by the relevant international student.

- 1. National health insurance premium
- 2. Medical costs
- 3. Short-stay visa application fee, if necessary

9. Application Invitation, Selection, and Result Notification

- (1) JSA will invite applications with the cooperation of societies of anesthesiologists in the relevant countries.
- (2) JSA will select from among the applicants and decide which applicants will pass.
- (3) Selection results will be delivered to applicants from JSA.

10. Selection Schedule (tentative)

October: Selection

November: Decision made on institutes to receive successful applicants

After December: Delivery of selection results

※From application for FY2017, selected trainee will have to pay a deposit of ¥50,000 by bank transfer to JSA to secure the position. The surcharge shall be covered by the trainee. Any delay to pay the deposit would result in losing the opportunity to come. In the last month of your training in Japan the deposit will be refunded. In case of cancellation the deposit will not be refunded by any reason.

11. Application Procedure

Applicants shall submit the following documents to JSA. Once submitted, no documents will be returned.

- (1) Application form (designated form)
- (2) Photograph (taken within the past six months. 4 cm (H) x 3 cm (W), from the waist up, frontal view, and with the head uncovered. Write the applicant's name and country name on the back of the photograph.)
- (3) One original personal information form (designated form)
- (4) Certificate of Degree and Certificate of Diploma
- (5) Certificate which shows that the applicant has more than three years of experience as a medical practitioner after the acquisition of his/her medical license
- (6) Health certificate (designated form) *The medical institute issuing the certificate can be selected at the applicant's discretion.
- (7) Written oath (designated form)
- (8) Specialty field you prefer to study
- (9) Essay with the theme "Future Plans"

English essay written by the applicant with the theme “If you are selected to receive training in Japan, how would you use what you will have acquired in Japan for anesthesiology in your country in the future?” Your specialty field should be mentioned in the essay.

- (10) Copy of a medical license issued in the applicant’s country or another country
- (11) Certificate of permission for leave for training period with the sign of Hospital Director.
- (12) Certificate of English communication abilities: TOFEL/IELTS

Note: Personal information provided to JSA will be used exclusively for the following purposes: (a) judging pass or fail, (b) completing the procedure related to institutes to receive selected trainees, and (c) compiling this program’s achievements and preparing statistical materials.

Note: Items (1), (3), (7), (8) and (9) above shall be written by the applicant oneself. Items (1), (2) and (7) can be prepared either in English or Japanese.

Note: Once all items are received, applicants will receive the confirmation letter from JSA.

Note that any application will not be completed until the applicant receives the confirmation.