









KENYA PAEDIATRIC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (KPFP) SCHOLARSHIPS IN NEONATOLOGY

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The Aga Khan University, Nairobi offers training in Neonatology in the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health. This fellowship is aimed at contributing to the attainment of the highest possible level of neonatal and child health in East Africa through high quality care, teaching, research and advocacy. The program exists to promote and advance knowledge, skills and practice of healthcare workers in Neonatology.

Successful applicants will undergo a two-year competency-based training program at the Aga Khan University which includes extensive supervised clinical experience. The fellow will also do a research project which should be submitted for publication prior to completion of the program. Fellows will have a dual reporting to the Fellowship Program Director and Chair department of Paediatrics and Child Health and the fellowship is competency based, where fellows complete a specified written course study in Neonatology and engage in case- based study as outlined in the curriculum.

The KPFP scholarship will cover tuition fees and a stipend (All benefits to be outlined in a scholarship award letter).

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates who meet the following criteria will be prioritized;

- 1. A qualified paediatrician with a Master of Medicine in Paediatrics and Child Health (MMED) from a recognized university or an equivalent qualification from an institution recognized by the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council.
- 2. Registered to practice in Kenya by the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council.
- 3. Completion of at least two years of practice as a Paediatrician.
- 4. Currently employed as a paediatrician in a recognized health institution.
- 5. Evidence of proficiency in English language if previous degrees were not in English.
- 6. Valid professional indemnity cover during the period of training.
- 7. Following interviews, successful candidates employed by the county governments need to secure approval and release from a county government or institution training committee. This release should include commitment from the employer to continue your salary during the training period.
- 8. Evidence of bonding from the current employer will be required from successful candidates, prior to admission to commence training.

Candidates who work in the following areas will be prioritized;

- a) Candidates from counties that have not yet benefited from Phase 2
- b) Facilities with existing staff trained through the Kenya Paediatric Fellowship Program
- c) Faculty in public training institutions and faith-based organization training institutions
- d) Health workers in faith-based organizations
- e) Newborn Essential Technologies (NEST) sites in Kenya will be prioritized for the training of neonatologists and midwives
- f) College of Paediatrics sites: https://ecsapach.org/training-sites/
- g) Staff from the National and County Teaching and Referral Hospitals which hosts the KPFP training institutions will be considered
- h) The larger East Africa region
- i) ELMA supported countries such as (Malawi Ethiopia and Rwanda) on condition that the programs are not offered in those countries

Recruitment into the programme will be conducted through a transparent competitive selection process that would include consideration of a written application, shortlisting and interview process.

PROGRAM SELECTION

Each candidate must go through the following process to be awarded scholarship:

- Confirmation by the employer (complete the KPFP application form by applying on the portal)
- Shortlisting and interviewing by the training institution
- Admission by the training institution
- Selection by the KPFP scholarship selection committee
- Release and bonding by the employer as per the Public Service Commission guidelines Enrollment by the training institution

HOW TO APPLY

Applications should include a completed application form, cover letter, detailed current curriculum vitae, statement of motivation, academic certificates and transcripts.

For elidgible paediatricians interested in the Kenya Paediatric Fellowship Program, please visit our website to fill out the KPFP application form: https://scholarship.kenyapaediatric.org

The closing date for applications is open until it is filled.

