



Tata Medical Center Fellowship Program

Department of Surgical Oncology

The Department:

The Department of Surgical Oncology aims to offer site - specific surgical services and will be staffed by experienced full time Consultants. The department is divided into the following subunits: Head & Neck, Gastrointestinal, Breast, Urology, Gynecology, Thoracic and plastic surgery. The hospital has 8 operation theatres and 1 operation theatre for brachytherapy. The theatres boast of positive pressure laminar air flow, HEPA filter, sophisticated anesthetic equipments, pendants, state of the art operating lights and tables, touch - screen surgeon's panels, PACS, minimally invasive equipments, vessel sealing devices, operating microscope, robotic surgery, laser, sentinel node biopsy, intra - operative ultrasonography, frozen section biopsy, TEG etc.

Fellowship Objectives:

The Fellowship module aims to tutor personnel willing to devote their subsequent career in oncology. Ingrained in the training program, is the mandated philosophy of multidisciplinary approach to cancer treatment. The Fellows would be involved in outpatient and inpatient care with assessment of new and review patients, and also in the operation theatres. This would help fellows to develop skills to judge and decide independently. Active efforts would be made to ensure that fellows understand the value of molecular medicine in diagnosis. The Department is keen on organ specific specialization and it is expected that the multi disciplinary format would enthuse Fellows to

develop site specialty interest.

No of Fellowship Positions:

Six (6) Positions, starting from August every year.

Fellowship Duration:

2 years.

Eligibility Criteria:

Essential:

M.S. or DNB degree in General Surgery

Desirable:

Worked for more than 1 year following a Masters Degree, preferably in an oncology unit.

Clinical responsibilities:

The Fellows will be involved in the managing outpatient and inpatient clinical services, and actively assisting or operating in the theatre. They have to be resident while being on call for night cover.

Academic responsibilities:

The Fellows will be involved in case presentation, discussing contemporary publications, seminars and organizing multidisciplinary meetings. These will be reinforced by periodic Faculty lectures. During this tenure they may be required to submit a dissertation. In addition, the fellows may be expected to teach the nursing staff.

Expected Rotations/Work Schema/ Career advancement:

The fellows will spend four months in each of the six broad surgical sub-specialties of Breast Surgery, Gynaecology, GI surgery, Head and Neck Surgery, Plastic and Reconstructive surgery and Urology on rotation basis. The Fellows will have to maintain the logbook for clinical and academic activities done during the training program. Template for logbook is available in Tata Medical intranet. The fellowship program is subject to extension for one more year for an uninterrupted exposure to sub-specialty of choice if required, depending on clinical and academic performance of initial two-year period. One month out-of-center training in a reputed cancer center of India or abroad may be allowed in the last six month (19th month onward), depending on clinical, academic performance and administration approval.

Evaluation:

The Fellows will be assessed by periodic examinations, but in addition, a point-based system has been developed in house. The Continuous Assessment of Structured Training (CAST) score takes into account several parameters like the aptitude to take independent decision, communication skills, ability to work in a team etc.

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