

APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR OBSERVERSHIP PROGRAMME

Thank you for expressing an interest in observing at FISABIO – Oftalmología Médica (FOM).

The hospital runs on a Specialist Units basis with each handling a particular Subspecialty of Ophthalmology as below:

- Cornea& Ocular Surface Unit
- Retina Unit
- Glaucoma and Neuro-ophthalmology Unit
- Low Vision Unit
- Oculoplasty, Orbit and Adnexal Unit

There is at least 1 timetabled session per week.

Please indicate which Unit(s) you wish to observe in and the dates you would like to visit on the Observer Application Form. We also require a copy of your current, brief curriculum vitae. If you have been granted (e.g., SOE Educational Grant for Ophthalmologists-in-Training), please send us the confirmation letter.

Written applications should be sent to the address below:

FISABIO – Oftalmología Médica
Bifurcación Pío Baroja-General Avilés, s/n
46015 Valencia
Spain

We also accept applications via email cdocenciafom@gva.es.

We work on a 'first come first served' basis so please give as much notice as possible when you make your request. It is advisable to apply at least 3 – 6 months in advance of the date you wish to attend.

The maximum length of stay is six months depending on the teaching capacity of the moment. Special requirements will be assessed by the Teaching Committee.

Please note that there are certain times during the year when the clinical and surgical activities are reduced due to theatre closures and large Spain and overseas meetings (i.e. ARVO, SEO and the AAO).

We still accept observers during these periods, but please be aware that a number of consultant staff will be away and activities will be reduced.

CONFIRMATION

Your observership period can only be confirmed upon receipt of a signed Agreement Form.

As soon as your visit has been agreed you will receive a formal letter of confirmation including details of how to find the hospital and where to go on your first day.

We reserve the right to give your observership place to another doctor (or the first week of your booking) if you have not arrived within 24 hours of your agreed start date and have not communicated with us in any way.

REGULATIONS

You must maintain patient confidentiality at all times, and respect patient privacy. Personal whitecoat and theatre shoes must be brought by observers.

FURTHER INFORMATION

We cannot arrange accommodation for you, but a list of suitable hotels and hostels is available on request, as well as the possibility to rent a room from some members of our staff.

At the end of your visit (on your last day) you will receive a certificate of attendance signed by the Director of Education.