Programme Objectives

The Diploma in Neurology is designed specifically for doctors who intend to work within the field of Neurology but not as specialists. Trainees will be trained to the level of competency to provide comprehensive middle level Neurology care in a local public restructured healthcare institution.

Trainees will also gain a basic understanding and competence in interpreting specific neurological investigations such as:

- Basic nerve conduction studies/electromyography (EMG)
- Basic electroencephalograms (EEG)
- Ultrasonography of the carotid arteries
- Basic radiological (CT/MRI) interpretation of common neurological conditions

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Fee Structure

*Registration fee: $500 (non-refundable one-time payment)
*Course fee: $7,250 per year
*Examination fee: $400 (1st year) $600 (2nd year)

*Prevailing rate of Goods and Services Tax (GST) is not inclusive in the fees and is collected on top of the above fees. All fees are non-refundable upon commencement of training.

Application procedures

Candidates are required to fill up the following items:

- Obtain endorsement from their Head of Department and their Human Resource Department.
- Attach the supporting documents (certified as true copies) as indicated in the application form and mail to:
  Academy of Medicine, Singapore
  Education & Training Department
  81 Kim Keat Road
  #11-00 & #12-00, NKF Centre
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Admission Criteria
This programme is open to all medically-trained doctors who possess Temporary registration (Service), Conditional registration or Full registration with the Singapore Medical Council (SMC). However, applicants must also satisfy the following criteria for admission into this programme:

- Have at least 1 year of working experience in the field of Neurology/Neurology Unit in an SMC approved sponsoring institution in Singapore.
- Possess a local sponsoring department/institution along with a letter of recommendation from the Head of Department.
- Have a supervisor who is a specialist in Neurology working in the same SRS designated institution where the applicant is applying to undergo training.

Programme Duration
This is a 2-year structured Diploma programme. The training programme includes a broad exposure to the care of Neurology patients and experience in the management of diverse and acute Neurological conditions/problems.

Training Structure
Trainees will be guided by specialists in Neurology who will ensure that all topics specified in the syllabus are carried out. Trainees need to list the necessary basic clinical, procedural and professional skills into their logbook and must demonstrate expertise in these areas.

Yearly Commencement date:
May and November
Yearly Application period:
February and August

Syllabus
Trainees will learn about Neurology, including the following topics:

(a) Basic Knowledge:
    i. Neuroscience and Applied Core Aspects
    ii. Neurological localization
    iii. Approach to common symptom complexes
    iv. Management of disease conditions
    v. Key related clinical disciplines
    vi. Correlative and Clinical Neurophysiology
    vii. Movement disorders: Approach
    viii. Neurological Rehabilitation
    ix. The Role of Neurosurgery and Orthopaedic Surgery in Neurology

(b) Key Competencies
    i. Patient Care
    ii. Medical Knowledge
    iii. Practice-Based Learning and Improvement
    iv. Interpersonal and Communication Skills
    v. Professionalism
    vi. System-Based Practice

Assessment Criteria
Trainees will be assessed in the following manner:

End of Year 1
- Appraisal by supervisor
- Log book inspection
- Interim Assessment

End of Year 2
- Appraisal by supervisor
- Log book inspection
- Final examination