NYU Langone Orthopedic Hospital
The Visiting International Physician’s (VIP) Program

PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO HEAVY FACULTY WORKLOADS AND HIGH DEMAND, IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO OFFER THIS APPOINTMENT TO ALL QUALIFIED APPLICANTS.

Terms of Appointment:

- Candidates interested in participating in this program must have graduated from medical school and have an MD degree.
- Applicants must be trained in Orthopedic Surgery.
- Observerships are without compensation, benefits, or housing.
- Length of observership must be at least one week in duration and cannot exceed 30 days.
- Visiting Physicians may attend conferences and lectures and are welcome to observe clinical activities but may not participate in the actual delivery of care. They do not perform any healthcare role whatsoever, and are explicitly forbidden to actively participate in patient examinations, procedures, clinical decision making and do not contribute to documentation.
- Visiting Physicians must abide by all applicable HIPAA patient confidentiality regulations. Specific consent must be obtained from any patient whose clinical encounter or procedure will be attended by the Visiting Physician.
- This observational experience does not constitute training. As an observer, you do not receive any academic credit for this experience and are not considered to be a student, resident, fellow, or trainee. Our observership program is not a fellowship and does not offer immersive exposure. Applicants seeking such exposure should apply for a dedicated fellowship program in their particular specialty of interest.
- All applicants who are not U.S. citizens or do not have a green card require a WB or B-1/B-2 Visa and need to comply with the requirements.
- Before international observers may commence any activities, NYU Langone’s immigration services staff will review and verify visa and I-94 documentation for clearance.
- International candidates must begin their observership on a Tuesday to allow for proper immigration clearance (please plan to arrive in the U.S. on a Monday or earlier).
- Please carefully read further details on the observer agreement form and the health assessment form, outlining what you are allowed to do as an observer and what health screenings are required.

Required Documents for Application Submission:

- Documents in a language other than English must be accompanied by a certified translation
- Fully Completed Application Packet
  - Application Form (page 1)
  - Observer Agreement (page 2-4)
  - Observer Health Status Assessment (page 5)
- Up to Date Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Copy of Medical School Diploma
- Copy of Government-Issued Photo Identification (passport for international visitors)
- Documentation of Vaccines, Immunizations, and Screenings:
  - Tuberculosis (TB) screening, within the year of the observation period
  - MMR Vaccine or laboratory evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, and rubella
History of Varicella, a positive (immune) titer, or two varicella vaccinations

Hepatitis B immunization (positive immune response), completed hepatitis immunization series, or a signed declination

Influenza Vaccine, **within the year** of the observation period

Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis vaccinations *(only required for observerships that extend beyond 2 weeks)*

**Required PRIOR to Beginning Your Observership:**

- Please reconfirm your arrival date to the U.S. should it differ than your approved observation start date.

- A negative COVID screening dated **no more than 72 hours prior to your start date**.
  Rapid/Antigen tests results are accepted *(an example of acceptable COVID results format will be provided to you once your application has been approved)*. **You will not be permitted to begin your observation until the results are received for final clearance.**

- Approved applicants will need to connect with their hosting/faculty sponsor to reconfirm their observer schedule.