International Educational Opportunities from One of the Top Hospitals in the United States

Cleveland Clinic is dedicated to patient care and the mission of “educating those who serve.”

The Center for International Medical Education (CIME) coordinates Cleveland Clinic’s international education initiatives and ensures the provision of high-quality educational experiences for the global medical community. CIME offers a diverse range of programs that cater to the needs of thousands of physicians, fellows, residents, medical students, administrators and alumni worldwide each year.
What brings most folks here as observers is a passion to learn something in a very focused way. My advice to those imagining coming would be to give thought to what would be the most successful experience you could have. Give thought to it in advance so that we can help craft and provide that opportunity.

Dr. James K. Stoller • Chairman
Cleveland Clinic Education Institute
International Physician Observer Program

Through the observership program, medical students, residents, fellows and practicing physicians from all over the world can observe clinical interactions (e.g., listen to patient histories, attend physicals and follow on patient rounds), participate in teaching conferences and watch surgeries. The International Physician Observer Program is an exceptional opportunity to experience the best of U.S. medical practices and to learn about the latest clinical achievements from highly dedicated and experienced members of the Cleveland Clinic staff.

Every year, the Cleveland Clinic Center for International Medical Education arranges more than 600 observerships for international physicians who would like to experience firsthand Cleveland Clinic’s model of care.
CIME offers physician speakers and mini-symposia for patients and physicians all over the world.

**Physician Speaker Programs**

CIME facilitates the participation of Cleveland Clinic physicians in a variety of programs by collaborating with medical institutions from all over the world. Physicians can participate in international conferences for physicians or international health talks for patients held both at Cleveland Clinic and abroad. Staff share and present a diverse range of areas of expertise through lectures and case presentations that highlight cutting-edge procedures and novel technologies utilized at Cleveland Clinic.

Lectures and presentations can also be transmitted live via videoconference to any location in the world that has the technical capability to receive it.

**Educational Programs in Cleveland**

CIME collaborates with a number of organizations in the healthcare industry to coordinate, by request, mini-symposia within a particular specialty. These events are typically two- or three-day programs prepared for a unique group of attendees. They may include a tailored mix of lectures presenting cutting-edge procedures and novel technologies used at Cleveland Clinic, live surgeries, rounds and case presentations.

Cleveland Clinic has held mini-symposia related to specialties including gastroenterology, urology, vascular surgery, cardiovascular medicine, dermatology, oncology, gynecology, pulmonary medicine and cardiothoracic surgery.
International Preceptorship Program

A week-long preceptorship program is tailored to the specific clinical and administrative interests of the participating physician. Participants can experience one-on-one clinical and surgical observations, shadow staff involved in departmental administrative functions, and examine best practices and operational strengths of Cleveland Clinic.

Cleveland Clinic specialties including bariatric surgery, nuclear medicine, cardiothoracic surgery and urology have participated in the international preceptorship program.
For More Information

Learn about upcoming educational events, request a Cleveland Clinic physician speaker, apply for an observership or preceptorship, and sign up for our e-newsletter. Visit us online at clevelandclinic.org/cime.

If you are interested in referring a patient to Cleveland Clinic, CIME can assist. Please call 216.445.1711.

About Cleveland Clinic

Cleveland Clinic is a not-for-profit multispecialty academic medical center that integrates clinical and hospital care with research and education. We are located in Cleveland, Ohio, USA. Cleveland Clinic was founded in 1921 and currently has 2,000 salaried physicians and scientists on staff, representing more than 100 specialties and subspecialties.

U.S. News & World Report ranks Cleveland Clinic one of the top hospitals in the United States year after year. Our heart and heart surgery programs have been ranked No. 1 in the United States since 1995. Cleveland Clinic’s digestive disease, kidney disorders, pulmonology, rheumatology and urology programs rank among the best in their specialties.

We also rank among the nation’s top 10 in cancer care; diabetes and endocrinology; ear, nose and throat care; geriatric care; gynecology; orthopaedics; neurology and neurosurgery; and ophthalmology. Other Cleveland Clinic specialties noted for national excellence include psychiatry and pediatrics.

We offer convenient locations and accessible care at facilities throughout Northeast Ohio and around the country and world, including Florida, Nevada, Canada and Abu Dhabi.
People come from all over the world, and we are all united in this desire to learn, to aspire, and this is a great opportunity for us. For anybody who wishes to expand their border, to understand more, to know more and to really get to the bottom line of real medicine, this is the place to be.

Dr. Alexander Konov
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