PROGRAM OVERVIEW
Physicians in the Visiting Clinical Fellowship Program participate in a customized training experience tailored to their professional interests and expertise. Specific training objectives are developed for each accepted scholar. Trainees in this program are required to be licensed and/or board-certified in their home country. Scholars are paired to work directly with faculty in their area of interest and participate in a wide range of academic activities which may include: gaining skills and knowledge in clinical medicine, engaging in research projects, writing scientific articles, and attending various educational activities such as didactics, case conferences, grand rounds, etc. Each scholar’s mentor is carefully selected based on area of interest.

PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES
Visiting Clinical Fellowships that are specifically tailored for individuals who are licensed and/or Board-certified or Board-eligible (by the Saudi Commission, for example) in their home country.
PROGRAM GOALS
• To expand knowledge of the health care system in the US and how it operates
• To provide direct experience in comprehensive & standardized patient care including policies & procedures as well as professional communication standards.
• To enhance clinical skills and knowledge
• To facilitate the development of relationships with faculty mentors for successful career development.
• To facilitate the development of sound research skills.

PROGRAM ELEMENTS
• This program is tailored to meet each scholar’s specific learning objectives and may include activities to expand clinical skills and knowledge, enhance research skills and knowledge and provide leadership skills.

PROGRAM DURATION
This is a 1 to 2 year program depending on training goals and funding.

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-Former VCF Scholar

“"…excellent efforts to facilitate my training in XX and research projects as well as choosing the most outstanding faculties as well”
-Former VCF Scholar
Time To Double Medical Knowledge Is Decreasing

Medical knowledge will double every 73 days by 2020

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