

Accreditation Procedure of Fujimoto General Hospital (foreign clinical practise site)

Decision of the Board of the Hungarian Accreditation Committee (MAB) No. 2024/5/XIII/7

The MAB Board supports the accreditation of Fujimoto General Hospital (Miyakonojo City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan) as a clinical practice site for 5 years until September 27, 2029. The accreditation covers the following specialities: internal medicine, surgery, neurology, psychiatry.

Appendix:

Visiting Committee Report on the Results of the Site Visit to the Clinical Practice Site of Fujimoto General Hospital (Miyakonojo City, Miyazaki Prefecture, Japan)

As regulated in the Annex to MAB Decision No. 2021/7/IX/4, a visiting committee travelled to Japan, where we carried out accreditation according to MAB criteria in the following departments of Fujimoto General Hospital:

- Internal Medicine
- Neurology
- Psychiatry
- Surgery.

The members of the visiting committee were:

Committee Chairman:

Prof. Dr. György Panyi, Professor, DE ÁOK

Members:

- Prof. Dr. György Lázár, Professor, Dean, SZTE ÁOK
- Prof. Dr. Miklós Nyitrai, Professor, Dean, PTE ÁOK
- Prof. Dr. Alán Alpár, Professor, Vice Rector, Semmelweis University
- Prof. Dr. Attila Jenei, Professor, Director of NOKK, DE
- Prof. Dr. Ferenc Gallyas, Professor, PTE ÁOK.

The visiting committee carried out an on-site visit, taking into account the criteria of the MAB. During the visit, the wards of the hospitals involved in the training of sixth-year students were visited. These are surgery, internal medicine, neurology and psychiatry. In addition to the heads of the departments, the training programme was discussed with the hospital director.

During the accreditation audit of the hospitals, the following were taken into account in addition to the fixed MAB criteria:

- a.) Which university is the teaching hospital accredited by the institution under review?
- b.) How many doctors belong to the medical faculty of a Japanese (medical) university?
- c.) How many weeks has the department been busy training Japanese students? (To determine this, we have assessed how many classes and how many rotations they teach, and how much spare capacity they have.)
- d.) We asked for the results of student feedback.
- e.) We assessed the bed capacity, operating room and other service area capacity of the departments.

1. Fujimoto General Hospital in Japan is a private hospital, an accredited training institution, regularly involved in training medical students. Students from Kyushu University (Fukuoka Prefecture), Kagoshima University (Kagoshima Prefecture) and Miyazaki University (Myazaki Prefecture) (average 20 students per year) spend their 5th and 6th year internships at the hospital. All the above-mentioned medical universities are national universities with extensive medical training and a long tradition. Some of the doctors at the hospital are faculty members of the above-mentioned medical universities (7 Kyushu, 20 Kagoshima, 5 Myazaki) and patient care is provided at Fujimoto Hospital. Due to Japanese diligence, the hospital site visit was led by the owner of the hospital and Mischishiro Takigawa, M.D., who is responsible for the practical placement of the students in the academic programme.

2. Fujimoto General Hospital is the leading diagnostic patient care centre in the south-east of Japan. The relevant departments at Fujimoto General Hospital have completed accreditation questionnaires, which indicate that it is a high patient throughput institution with highly qualified physicians performing teaching duties. For the details (number of beds, number of doctors, etc.), we rely on the questionnaires completed. On the basis of the accreditation questionnaires, we have established that the following departments of the hospital meet the MAB criteria:

- Internal medicine
- Surgery
- Neurology
- Psychiatry.

3. A personal interview with the heads of the departments revealed that both the heads of the departments and the doctors in charge of the departments regularly participate in the training of medical students and that the hospital has a residency training programme. It was also found that in Japan, the heads of the departments are recognised physicians, and therefore the quality of training is not in doubt, with more than three specialist physicians in each department. Here, the Committee notes that we saw the largest psychiatry ward they have ever seen (8 floors with about 400 beds), which could easily provide one of the cornerstones of training for foreign students, psychiatry training. To evaluate the student feedback, we specifically interviewed students currently interning at the named hospital. Two of them have recently graduated from Szeged and are currently preparing for the differential examination at Fujimoto General Hospital. During the face-to-face interview, they were very positive about the hospital's doctors, their preparation and their commitment to training students. The residency students were represented by a colleague who graduated from Debrecen 2 years ago.

4. The academic requirements and the list of competences for the 4 specialties mentioned above were discussed

with the heads of the institutions and it was agreed that the hospital could ensure that the documents were met.

5. In order to examine the material conditions for training, in addition to the visits to the departments mentioned above, we examined the work of the diagnostic departments.

We found the hospital wards to be well equipped and the variety and number of diagnostic instruments were impressive. Of particular note is the fact that Fujumoto General Hospital has, for example, a gamma knife, PET-CT, 3 MRI scanners, numerous types of CT scans, interventional radiology, LINAC, a robotic laboratory, etc. The operating block has 5 operating theatres, with intensive care units and their support units. The hospital also has the most extensive rehabilitation ward we have seen, where patients can learn the skills necessary for reintegration, e.g. a mini-gym, and a fully furnished apartment is available for patients to learn self-care. The Visiting Committee members were clear in their opinion that the diagnostics are of a very high standard for a hospital of its size, and there is no doubt that the hospital is a regional leader in this field.

6. On the basis of the site visit, the following units at Fujumoto General Hospital are recommended for accreditation as a foreign training site:

- Internal Medicine
- Surgery
- Neurology
- Psychiatry.

On the basis of the above, we recommend more than 1/3 of Fujumoto General Hospital 's hospital units for accreditation, i.e. we recommend Fujumoto General Hospital itself for the Accredited Teaching Hospital status.

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