

राष्ट्रीय आयुर्विज्ञान आयोग  
National Medical Commission  
(Undergraduate Medical Education Board)

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**Guidelines for grant of NOC for Elective/Observership by Foreign Nationals in Indian Medical Institutes/Colleges under National Medical Commission**

In order to review the existing practice available in the erstwhile Medical Council of India regarding grant of **“No Objection Certificate”** to medical students/doctors from foreign countries, a Committee was constituted under the Chairpersonship of President, UGMEB to define the norms/guidelines in respect of Electives/Observership by Foreign Nationals in Indian Medical Institutes/Colleges under National Medical Commission.

2. As per the recommendation of the aforementioned Committee, all the medical institutes/colleges are hereby directed to follow the following norms/guidelines while applying to the Commission for grant of NOC for Electives/Observership by Foreign Nationals in India :

- (i) **NO** Foreign National shall be allowed Electives/Observership in any Indian Medical Institute/University in any capacity without the consent of National Medical Commission.
- (ii) Number of Foreign Nationals for Electives/Observership in UG Category in a given academic year shall **NOT** exceed 5% of sanctioned annual intake of that medical college.
- (iii) The maximum number of Foreign Medical doctors for Electives/Observership in PG Category shall **NOT** exceed 2 (two) doctors in each speciality per year in an institute/college.
- (iv) **NO** Foreign student coming for Electives/Observership (UG or PG category) shall be allowed to examine or treat the patients.
- (v) The maximum period of Electives/Observership shall be **90 days** only.
- (vi) The processing fee to grant permission to Foreign Nationals for Elective Observership shall be US \$100 (hundred US Dollar only) or equivalent (excluding GST) for undergraduate students and US \$200 (two hundred US Dollar only) or equivalent (excluding GST) for postgraduate students.
- (vii) A foreign national who has once availed of elective observership in India, shall not be allowed to do the same second time till the duration of a minimum of one year of time is completed from the day of completion of the previous Elective/Observership.

3. The above guidelines shall be applicable **w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023**.

4. This issues with the approval of the Chairman, National Medical Commission.

  
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