Memorandum of Understanding for Clerkship Student Shadowing Program of

Peking Union Medical College (PUMC) at Montreal University

Timeframe: August, 2013

Duration: Six weeks for 6th year medical students

Participants:

8-year curriculum medical students at Peking Union Medical College currently doing clerkships at PUMC hospitals in Beijing. These medical students at the end of 6th year, who have completed premed education, basic medicine, clinical course and clerkship rotation, just before internship rotation and training of research.

Goals:

• To gain hospital-based working experiences in clinical specialties like Surgery/Medicine, including hands-on and/or non-hands-on experiences. Their study includes learning of general skills like interacting with patients (history/physical), inputting their records into the electronic system, coordination with nurses and staff, and a general sense of hospital working in a foreign country.

• To network with medical students and faculty in foreign medical schools and
hospitals.

Arrangement Options:

Clinical clerkship and/or observation
Students are expected to be treated as native medical students and do their clerkships in a clinical department under supervision. PUMC students do not have to contact patients, but they need to observe and learn from the process of clinical education.

The program could fall into two periods, so that the students could experience two different departments (four weeks in hospitals and two weeks in community healthcare centers). PUMC students would appreciate (free of charge) academic lectures, seminars or workshops at the hospital or university.

Research elective at labs and scientist interview
Some PUMC students are interested in visiting clinical laboratories and/or meeting with physician scientists to understand clinical research organization, initial fundraising all the way to eventual paper publication.

Other activities with your students
Activities and events with local students, either academic or recreational, would be appreciated and welcomed.

Logistics and Accommodation:

Registration and orientation
Registration in your hospital system may need to be done ahead of time. The students would also need a detailed orientation concerning the clinical settings, and instructions on things to watch out and pay attention to.
Accommodation

It would be extremely helpful if you could assign a contact person to arrange accommodation for the students. Apartments, homestay families, and/or dormitory rooms would all be preferred.

Funding & Budget

Peking Union Medical College will support its medical students by paying for the roundtrip travel expense, board and lodging, local travel, and overseas sickness insurance. We highly appreciate your advice in this regard, especially recommendations on student-appropriate accommodation and insurance packages.

Expectations and outcome evaluation

Each PUMC student is required to present his/her personal plan of learning during the period of 6 weeks. A report must be presented to the school and reviewed by an ad hoc committee to evaluate their gains and learning during the program. We recommend your school to comment on or rate these students regarding their study outcomes. Such ratings of and comments by the students of the overseas institution will be subject an appraisal and input/output analysis. These comments and ratings may be enclosed with their certificate of clerkship issued by the host institution upon the end of their clerkship.

For The Peking Medical Union College

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