AANS/CNS Section on Pediatric Neurosurgery

A Global Opportunity in Pediatric Neurosurgery

DEADLINE EXTENDED!
NOV. 16TH 2026

SANJIV BHATIA PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP

THE JOINT PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY SECTION OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS (AANS) AND CONGRESS OF NEUROLOGICAL SURGEONS (CNS) OFFERS THE SANJIV BHATIA PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY GLOBAL FELLOWSHIP.

THIS FELLOWSHIP SUPPORTS SENIOR NEUROSURGERY TRAINEES PURSUING PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGICAL CLINICAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE IN A GLOBAL SETTING. THE AWARD IS INTENDED TO FOSTER INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION, EXPAND GLOBAL PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGICAL CAPACITY, AND SUPPORT MEANINGFUL INVESTIGATIVE AND CLINICAL PARTNERSHIPS.

DURATION	STIPEND	DEADLINE
1-2 MONTHS	UP TO $5000	NOVEMBER 16TH 2026

FELLOWSHIP OVERVIEW

THE MAXIMUM FELLOWSHIP STIPEND IS $5,000 AND SUPPORTS THE RECIPIENT DURING A ONE- OR TWO-MONTH PERIOD WHILE PARTICIPATING IN SURGERY AND RESEARCH IN A GLOBAL SETTING.

EARLIER BENEFICIARIES HAVE ENGAGED IN PRODUCTIVE INVESTIGATIVE AND CLINICAL COLLABORATIONS IN DIVERSE REGIONS INCLUDING VIETNAM, THE PHILIPPINES, AND BOLIVIA.

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO PROJECTS IN LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES (LMICS) WITH A U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT TRAVEL ADVISORY SCORE OF 1 OR 2.

ELIGIBILITY

APPLICANTS MUST BE EITHER:
- A SENIOR RESIDENT (PGY-4 AND ABOVE)
- A PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGERY FELLOW

APPLICANTS MUST BE TRAINING IN AN ACCREDITED NORTH AMERICAN NEUROSURGICAL TRAINING PROGRAM.

REVIEW PROCESS

APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED BY A COMMITTEE THAT INCLUDES SELECT MEMBERS OF THE PEDIATRIC SECTION, FELLOWSHIP ALUMNI, AND DR. RITA BHATIA.

KEY DATES

APPLICATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 16TH, 2026
RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED: 2026 PEDIATRIC SECTION MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO
FELLOWSHIP COMPLETION DEADLINE: END OF THE FOLLOWING ACADEMIC YEAR (JUNE 30, 2027)

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

THE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

- NAME, CURRENT TRAINING PROGRAM, AND TRAINING YEAR
- PROJECT MENTOR(S), PROPOSED SITE, AND TRAVEL DATES
- A PROPOSAL FOR THE PLANNED RESEARCH AND CLINICAL EXPERIENCE
- A STATEMENT DETAILING HOW THE FELLOWSHIP WILL ENHANCE PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGICAL CARE AND TRAINING FOR BOTH THE HOST INSTITUTION AND THE APPLICANT
- THE APPLICANT'S CV
- DETAILS OF THE MENTOR'S PREVIOUS WORK IN GLOBAL NEUROSURGERY AND A MENTORSHIP PLAN FOR THE EXPERIENCE
- WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM THE APPLICANT'S RESIDENCY PROGRAM DIRECTOR
- A LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE FROM THE HOST PEDIATRIC NEUROSURGICAL PROGRAM

PROJECT MENTORS SHOULD INCLUDE A U.S.-BASED PEDIATRIC SECTION MEMBER AND A PROPOSED-SITE SUPERVISING NEUROSURGEON

RECIPIENT EXPECTATIONS

FOLLOWING COMPLETION, SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS ARE EXPECTED TO:

- PRESENT THEIR RESEARCH AND CLINICAL EXPERIENCES AT THE PEDIATRIC SECTION MEETING
- SUBMIT A CASE LOG TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE

SUBMISSION INFORMATION

PLEASE EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO:
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FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, VISIT:
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