

CONTRACT FOR THE SSAI-COORDINATED TRAINING PROGRAM IN INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE IN THE NORDIC COUNTRIES

Parties involved:

1. Trainee: _____
2. SSAI representative: professor Sten Rubertsson, Uppsala University Hospital, Uppsala Sweden
3. Chairman of the host clinic: _____

General circumstances

Scandinavian Society of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine, SSAI, coordinates an Inter - Nordic training program in intensive care medicine for young specialists in Anaesthesiology.

The program is also open for full specialists outside anaesthesiology. For these candidates at least one year of general anaesthesia practice is mandatory *before they start the program*. All participants of the SSAI-coordinated training program have to be members of the SSAI.

The training program is 2 years of intensive care training. A minimum of one year of clinical training should be done at a university clinic. During the training period the trainee is designated a host clinic. The host clinic(s) will employ the trainee in an appropriate position for the duration of the training program. The host clinic(s) will appoint a tutor for the trainee. It is the responsibility of procedural skills as recommended in the training objectives (appendix 1). The trainee will participate and complete 6 seminars organized by SSAI during the 2-year training program. The training period also includes an exchange program with a university clinic in another country. The duration of the exchange period and the salary may be negotiated by the host clinic(s) representative(s) and the trainee, thus allowing flexibility regarding costs containment and available resources. However the exchange period should be no less than 2 months or alternatively 2 periods of auscultation at a clinic in another country of no less than 14 days.

At the end of the 2 year training period the candidate submits a report to the SSAI intensivist training program chairman evaluating the practical and theoretical training objectives of the SSAI-

coordinated training program. Deviations from the standard SSAI contract must be approved by the local representative of the SSAI Steering Committee for the Inter-Nordic training program in Intensive Care Medicine.

Responsibilities of the host clinic(s), SSAI and the trainee

1. Responsibilities of the host clinic(s).
 - The host clinic(s) will organize for the trainee a training program that will cover all fields of intensive care medicine.
 - The training program will start simultaneously (between January 1, 2007 and no later than March 1, 2007) in all Nordic countries.
 - The host clinic(s) will employ the trainee in an appropriate position during the 2 years of the training program.
 - The host clinic(s) will appoint a tutor for the trainee.
 - CoBaTrICE will be used and implemented in the training program.
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 - All expenses for the SSAI-coordinated training program in Intensive Care Medicine (including travelling, accommodation and a fee for each course) have to be covered by the host clinic(s). [see appendix 2]
 - The host clinic(s) will cooperate with SSAI in organizing an exchange program to a clinic in another country. The exchange program may be organized as:
 1. A direct exchange between 2 clinics in different countries.
 2. A visit to a foreign clinic funded by the host clinic(s) or by research funds.
 3. A position (locum) at the receiving clinic.
 - During the exchange period the host clinic(s) will help SSAI in solving local problems such as accommodation and temporary certification for the trainee.

2. Responsibilities of SSAI
 - SSAI will during the 2-year training period organize 6 seminars, each 3-4 days of duration, for all participating trainees in the Nordic countries. These seminars will circulate in all the Nordic countries and the common language will be English.

- Sponsoring may be used in the program for e.g., support of expenses of the speakers, for evening dinners and some education materials. However, the sponsor will not have any influence of the topics, the selection of speakers participating in the courses, and will not be allowed to give any information about their products or other activities at the courses or in connection with the courses.
- SSAI will facilitate, together with the participating host clinics, an exchange program that allows the trainees a temporary stay in a clinic in another country.
- SSAI will set up a Steering Committee with at least one member from each Nordic country. This committee will coordinate the training program and help in solving practical problems that may arise such as contact and communication between clinics, salary and certification.

3. Responsibilities of the trainee:

- During the 2 years of training the trainee will actively participate and assist the host clinic(s) in performing clinical duties including acquisition of advanced theoretical knowledge and training in cognitive, attitudinal, practical and procedural skills as recommended in the training objectives (appendix 1)
- The trainee should send the organizers of the courses confirmation that the course fee has been paid (bank transfer account no or another kind of confirmation) at latest 30 days before the start of each course. If payment is not done in proper time, the trainee might not be welcomed to attend the course.
- CoBaTrICE will be used and implemented in the training program.
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- The trainee should have access to PACT which is also used to prepare the candidate for the European Diploma Examination. Expected cost approximately 500 Euros. The site license needed for this is supplied by the training program for a cost of 2000 euros.
- Email will be used and the trainee will need to update email address to course secretary.

Diploma and certification

The trainee should attend the examination for the European Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine and acquire the European Diploma in Intensive Care (EDIC) awarded by the European Society of Intensive Care Medicine. The Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine from the SSAI will be received by the trainee after completion of the 2-year Inter-Nordic training program and passing the EDIC.

Expenses for the program

The cost per course day will be 165 Euros/delegate and day. Since each course will be a 4 days course the fee will be 660 Euros/course. On top of this, expenses for hotel and food will be added and has to be covered by the host clinic. This cost will vary depending on course site but will not exceed 700 Euros/course. This will give a total course fee for all 6 given courses of at most 8200 Euros not including travel expenses. Other arrangement concerning finances has to be approved by the steering group. In addition, the sending hospital department has to cover the salary for the participant and his/her replacement.

Signature:

Trainee _____ Date _____

SSAI representative _____ Date _____
Sten Rubertsson, chairman of the training program

Chairman of the host clinic 1 _____ Date _____

Chairman of the host clinic 2 _____ Date _____

Chairman of the host clinic 3 _____ Date _____