

**In the Name of God**

**Islamic Republic of Iran  
Ministry of Health and Medical Education  
Deputy for Education**

**Endourology  
Degree: Fellowship**

**Program Description**

Along with the educational developments of urology, special attention has been paid to the development of fellowship courses, including Endourology. Therefore, it is necessary to review the curriculum along with the curriculum of the master field and develop it at the national level. To this end, the curriculum development committee was formed. The curriculum of endourology was developed using the opinions of experts, evaluating existing curricula, and reviewing the curricula of selected international universities. The development of this curriculum is a step toward improving the quality of education in this course, as well as improving the quality of services. Implementing the curriculum and obtaining experience during implementation will provide more opportunities for promotion. From this perspective, the opinions of students, faculty members, administrators and other experts are welcomed.

**Definition and Duration of the Training Program:**

Fellowship of endourology is a subset of urology and the graduates are involved in screening, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of congenital and acquired urologic diseases with minimally invasive approach for surgeries, using new energies and endoscopic procedures.

**The endourology training course is 18 months.**

**AIMS:**

- 1- To train knowledgeable, competent and committed specialists in fellowship of endourology to serve the community with their knowledge and expertise in the areas of prevention, diagnosis, treatment, education and research and continuously improve this process.
- 2- In the next 10 years, it is expected that we will achieve the highest international standards and rank first in the Middle East in this fellowship. Also, we will rival the best countries in the world in terms of providing qualified service provision and science production.

**Admission Requirements**

## Expected Competencies at the End of the Program

### General Competencies\*

#### Specific Competencies and Skills

Procedural skills (diagnostic–therapeutic measures)

Percutaneous nephrostomy

Ultrasound of the kidneys, bladder, prostate and testicles for diagnostic and therapeutic measures.

Percutaneous nephrolithotomy (PCNL)

Percutaneous endopyelotomy and tumor resection

Uteroscopy (therapeutic and diagnostic)

Laparoscopic surgeries (group A) \*

Laparoscopic surgeries (group B) \*

Laparoscopic surgeries (group C) \*

Extracorporeal Shock Wave Lithotripsy (ESWL )

\*Adrenalectomy, Colposuspension, Cryptorchidism treatment, Hernia repair, Nephrectomy for benign disease, Radical nephrectomy (T1-T2), Partial nephrectomy (Cancer), Partial nephrectomy (benign disease), Nephro-ureterectomy (cancer), Nephro-ureterectomy (benign disease), Liver-donor nephrectomy Nephropexy, Pyeloplasty, Pelvic lymph node dissection Radical prostatectomy, Retroperitoneal lymph node dissection (stage 1), Renal cyst treatment, Ureterolithotomy, Varicocelectomy

### Educational Strategies, Methods and Techniques\*

#### Student Assessment (Methods and Types)

##### a. Assessment Methods

Log book assessment

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##### b. Periods of assessment

Assessment Log book (continuously and every 3 months)

Note: At least one implemented research project (also the acceptance certificate is acceptable) is required for announcement of graduation.

### Ethical Considerations\*

\*Note: The related document(s) can be found at <http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/>.

**The overall structure of the course:**

Division, unit or setting	Content-measures	Duration (months)
Endourology ward	Visiting patients (pre- and post-op)- Participation in educational, diagnostic, therapeutic and research programs in accordance with regulatory programs of the ward- Thorough examination of the records and preparing patients for surgery	22 months
Clinic	Visiting patients- Participating in medical consultation - Follow up of the patients- ,Choosing patients for hospitalization and admission - Performing measures for outpatient procedures	During the course (two days a week
Lithotripsy ward	Determining ESWL indications and applying the mentioned devices- Preparing and follow-up patients before SWL	During the period (at least once a week
Operation room	Observation, participation or performing the related surgery- Follow-up of the patients in the recovery room during the first hours after surgery in the ward.	During the period (at least three days a week
Research field		22 months
Optional ward	In accordance with selected ward	During the course (two days a week

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