# UK Clinical Rotations Enriches SGU's Students Medical Career

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India, June 24, 2025: As the demand for international medical education continues to rise among students in India, St. George's University (SGU) School of Medicine in Grenada, West Indies, offers a unique opportunity for aspiring medical professionals to gain clinical experience in the United Kingdom. This initiative, exclusively open to SGU students, aligns with the growing interest among Indian students, <u>45 % of whom plan residency abroad</u>, in pursuing degrees abroad, particularly in the UK, known for its esteemed National Health Service (NHS) and diverse clinical settings.

A Legacy of UK Clinical Training

SGU's affiliation with UK hospitals dates back to 1979, providing students with the chance to undertake clinical rotations across 16 affiliated hospitals throughout the country. This program allows students to immerse themselves in the NHS, experiencing firsthand a healthcare system renowned for its comprehensive patient care and commitment to medical excellence.

David Stoker, MD, FRCS, FRCS (Ed), Associate Dean of Clinical Studies in the UK at SGU School of Medicine, emphasizes the value of this experience: "Students who come to the UK will be able to learn medicine and enhance their knowledge of other cultures, which will ultimately enrich their medical careers. Medical schools' curricula are increasingly focusing on culture and ethnicity to produce doctors who are adequately trained for the global world in which we now live. SGU has shown a steady commitment to this approach throughout the years."

#### Curriculum Consistency and Personalized Learning

The UK clinical training at SGU maintains the same rigorous curriculum as its US counterpart, ensuring consistency in medical education. Students benefit from smaller group sizes, often comprising two to four individuals per core rotation, facilitating personalized instruction and greater interaction with patients and healthcare professionals.

The program places a strong emphasis on outpatient clinical teaching, ward rounds, and theatre time, complemented by significant study periods. Students are encouraged to develop patient-centered communication skills and engage in regular clinical presentations, building both technical proficiency and empathetic patient care.

#### Support Systems and Academic Resources

SGU provides comprehensive support for students undertaking clinical rotations in the UK. Academic assistance is readily

available through associate and assistant deans, associate chairs and hospital directors of medical education. Additionally, SGU offers guidance on placements, accommodation, visa requirements and other logistical aspects.

To further aid students, SGU conducts the "Introduction to Clinical Practice & NBME Workshop," a program designed to prepare students for core specialty rotations and the National Board of Medical Examiners (NBME) exams.

### **Global Opportunities Post-Clinical Training**

Upon completing their clinical rotations in the UK, SGU students have various pathways available. Many opt to apply for residency programs in the United States, while others choose to remain in the UK, undertaking the Professional and Linguistic Assessments Board (PLAB) test to continue their medical careers within the NHS.

SGU's UK clinical program offers a distinctive blend of academic rigor and cultural immersion, preparing students to become competent and compassionate medical professionals in an increasingly interconnected world.

For more information on the programs and tracks available through SGU School of Medicine, visit <u>SGU's website</u>.

## About St. George's University School of Medicine:

Founded in 1976, <u>St. George's University</u> (SGU) is a center for academic excellence worldwide. With students and faculty drawn from more than 150 countries, SGU is truly an international institution, with a uniquely global perspective. The <u>SGU</u> <u>School of Medicine is accredited</u> by the Grenada Medical and Dental Council which has been recognized by the World Federation for Medical Education (WFME). The school offers a four-year Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree program. Students can also enter the MD degree program from many education systems around the world via the five-, six-, or seven-year tracks. SGU has a large network of <u>75+ affiliated hospitals</u> and health centers in the US and UK, with the unique opportunity for students to begin their medical career in Grenada or the UK.