Observership to Japan from the Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association

The Japanese Society of Hepato-Biliary-Pancreatic Surgery (JSHBPS) accepts and supports two observers from the Asian-Pacific area for 3 months every year. The JSHBPS selects an institution according to the candidate’s preference, contacts the chairman of the institution and provides financial support. The amount of the scholarship is 500,000 yen for each successful candidate.

The following are the conditions of the scholarship:

1. The candidate should be a member of the Asian-Pacific Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association (A-PHPBA) or a member of the Hepato-Pancreato-Biliary Association (HPBA) of his or her home country. (A junior member of either A-PHPBA or HPBA is also acceptable.)
2. The candidate should be less than 40 years old.
3. The scholarship includes accommodation, transportation and air fare.
4. The term of the observership is 3 months.
5. A CV is required.
6. Recommendation letters from the president of the HPBA of the candidate’s home country or the chairman of the candidate’s institution is required.
7. The candidate should submit an abstract to the annual congress of the JSHBPS after receiving the acceptance letter.
8. The registration fee of the annual congress of the JSHBPS is free during the observership.

Candidates should send their CV and recommendation letters to the JSHBPS (info@jshbps.jp) by the end of May the year before the observership. The JSHBPS will send a decision letter to each candidate as well as to the HPBA of each candidate’s home country by the end of July. Accepted candidates should contact the office of the JSHBPS. The observership institution will be determined by the end of the year.

The preferred 3-month period for the observership is from April to June. The annual congress of the JSHBPS is held in June every year. Accepted candidates can attend the congress and present a paper if they submit an abstract to the annual congress of the JSHBPS upon acceptance.