

The KPOS, TPOS and JPOA Exchange Knowledge Program Agreement (revised in 2015)

Background: **Since 2008 we have been working to develop a closer rapport** among the Korean Pediatric Orthopaedic Society (KPOS), the Taiwan Pediatric Orthopaedic Society (TPOS) and the Japanese Pediatric Orthopaedic Association (JPOA), especially among younger doctors who will further the future development of the pediatric fields in these three countries.

Purpose: **From 2016, one young and one experienced doctor would visit each country annually. The young doctor would present at least one paper and the senior doctor would lecture and/or make comments on papers presented at the meeting based on his or her extensive experience.**

Agreement Specifics:

1. The KPOS, TPOS and JPOA will exchange **one junior fellow for up to one week and one senior doctor for up to 3 days (the duration of stay is not firmly fixed)**, scheduled to include the host country orthopaedic society's annual meeting (KPOS, TPOS, and JPOA). In addition, the Executive Board Members of KPOS, TPOS and JPOA will schedule their Annual Meetings so that they will not overlap. This exchange fellowship will start in 2016.
2. The selected fellows will be asked to present their works at the Annual Meeting of the host societies. The details of each fellow's schedule for the week will be the responsibility of the host society, which will inform the fellow in advance concerning the details.
3. Each society or association will be responsible for welcoming two doctors (one junior and one senior) each year. The 2 doctors selected by a society or an association will visit one of the countries in the first year. The next year, the same society or association will select 2 other doctors to visit the other country. This alternating cycle will continue. Please note that the first cycle has not been decided yet, but we plan to continue the ongoing pattern from last year. (For example, if the KPOS sent two doctors to the TPOS, the TPOS would send two doctors to the JPOA, and the JPOA would send two doctors to the KPOS. The next year the cycle would reverse as follows: The KPOS would send two doctors to the JPOA, the JPOA would send two doctors to the TPOS, and the TPOS would send two doctors to the KPOS.)
4. Living expenses for the stays and any meeting registration fees will be borne by the host societies.

Presented to the Board of Directors with affirmative action taken by the Korean Pediatric Orthopaedic Society.

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