

# NUHS RESIDENCY DISTINCTION PROGRAMME IN QUALITY IMPROVEMENT, INNOVATION & PATIENT SAFETY (NUHS-QIPS)

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## Introduction

NUHS-QIPS is an NUHS residency distinction programme. It is a 2-year certification programme aimed at equipping NUHS residents with knowledge and skills in Quality Improvement, Patient Safety and Innovation, thereby empowering them as future agents of change. The programme runs in parallel with the various junior and senior residency programmes.

## Eligibility

Residents enrolled in any of the NUHS residency programmes are eligible to apply to the NUHS-QIPS programme. Residents must be at least PGY2 at the point of enrollment into the distinction programme.

## Course Structure

This is a 2-year programme. Candidates can apply for an extension of an additional third year during which they primarily focus on completing their QI projects and quality improvement based publications. Extension of up to an extra year will be allowed strictly on a case-by-case basis, based on review by the faculty.

Maximal candidature limit is 3 years. Candidates failing to meet graduation criteria by Year 3, will have their candidature deemed to have lapsed.

Successful completion of the NUHS-QIPS programme entails accumulation of credits for attending prescribed QIPS activities and lectures. Completion of a clinical audit and quality improvement project are compulsory requirements for graduation.

Each resident will be matched with an experienced clinical faculty supervisor. They will be mentored closely throughout their NUHS-QIPS journey. Formative evaluation of progress will be reviewed every 6 months by the QIPS Competency Committee (QICC). Written feedback will be given to the candidate and the candidate's residency's Programme Director.

Prior to applying to the NUHS-QIPS programme, it is highly recommended that candidates discuss their application with their Programme Director and Director of Clinical Services. This discussion will help identify ideas for clinical audit and topics suitable for quality improvement projects, within their clinical specialties and departments. This will help better align candidates' projects and efforts with their specific interests and areas of clinical needs.

## Application

- 1) Short 1-page statement of interest
- 2) Letter of support from their Program Director and/ or Head of Dept

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