

Memorandum of Understanding for Academic and Research Collaboration between Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) and Khatlon State Medical University (KSMU)

In recognition of their commitment to advancing education through teaching and research, and to strengthening friendly relations, Tehran University of Medical Sciences (TUMS) and Khatlon State Medical University (KSMU), hereinafter referred to as "the Parties," hereby commit to the following Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to promote academic collaboration.

Scope of Collaboration

The Parties agree on the following general forms of Collaboration within spheres of mutual interests:

1. **Exchange of Faculty, Staff, and Students:** Facilitate the exchange of faculty members, staff, and students.
2. **Internships and Research Opportunities:** Create opportunities for graduate and undergraduate students to take courses and engage in internships, service learning, and research at the other institution.
3. **Joint Research Proposals:** Develop proposals for collaborative research initiatives.
4. **Academic Resource Sharing:** Exchange academic materials and publications.
5. **Encouraging Reciprocal Academic Visits:** The Parties agree to facilitate reciprocal academic visits by faculty members and researchers for the purposes of participating in conferences, seminars, and lectures, as well as engaging in discussions to promote collaboration and knowledge exchange.
6. **Advanced scientific technology engagement:** Collaboration in new research, innovation, development and implementation of advanced medical technologies.

Themes of joint academic and research activities, the conditions for utilizing the results achieved, arrangements for specific visits, exchanges, and other forms of collaboration shall be negotiated on a case-by-case basis and agreed upon through signing separate agreements.

Intellectual Property

Any intellectual property developed from collaborative research conducted under this MoU or any contracts pertaining to fees for services rendered will be addressed on a case-by-case basis under separate agreements.

Financial Arrangements

The Parties understand that all financial arrangements shall be negotiated and will depend upon the availability of funds. Each Party shall bear its own costs and expenses related to the academic and research activities under this MoU unless otherwise agreed.

Dispute Resolution

Any difference or dispute between the Parties concerning the interpretation and/or application of any provision of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiations between the Parties without reference to any third party.

Duration and Termination

This MoU shall become effective from the date of signing for a term of five years. It is subject to renewal by mutual written consent of the Parties within six months prior to the expiration date. In the event that a Party wishes to terminate this MoU at the expiration date, they shall provide written notice to the other Party with a notice period of six months.

Amendment

This MoU may be revised with the mutual consent of both Parties.

Coordination

The objectives of this MoU will be implemented through the coordination of the local, national, and international offices of both institutions. The individuals responsible for ensuring the successful execution of these objectives are Dr. Gholamreza Hassanpour, Faculty and Head of Desk for International Collaboration between TUMS and Tajikistan and Rustam Nazarov from Khatlon State Medical University. They will oversee and facilitate all activities related to the MoU, ensuring that the collaboration between the two institutions is both productive and effective.

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ACTION PLAN OF KHSMU WITH THE TUMS:

A. Academic Exchange:

- Student Exchange Programs
- Faculty Exchange Programs

B. Research Collaboration:

- Joint Research Projects
- Sharing Research Facilities and Resources
- Joint Publications

D. Healthcare Development:

- Training Programs for Healthcare Professionals
- Joint Healthcare Projects
- Technology Transfer in Healthcare

E. Continuing Medical Education (CME):

- Joint CME Programs
- Online CME Courses
- Workshops and Seminars