



NATIONAL POSTGRADUATE COLLEGE OF NIGERIA

POSTGRADUATE MD PROGRAMME

Supervisor Candidate Compact

Purpose of the compact

The compact between MD candidates and their Supervisors enables their relationship to be open and predictable. The work should be jointly designed by the supervisor and the candidate taking their time in relation to other things into consideration, in order for the research to be completed within the stipulated time. Though the success of the MD programme is not guaranteed by this Compact.

The Persons listed below have gone into a Compact to carry out this MD research programme.

(Name of Candidate)

Faculty:

(Name of Supervisor)

Faculty:

Research project

Title of Research:

Name of Training Institution:

Start Date of Research:

End Date:

Duties and responsibilities of the Supervisor(s)

- (1) The Supervisor should familiarize the candidate with the current rules applying to MD programme at the host training institution.
- (2) The Supervisor should strive to provide the appropriate working conditions for the candidate.
- (3) The Supervisor should commit to regularly and professionally advise the candidate and should also commit to attending meetings regularly about the work in progress of the candidate, taking into consideration the work plan and the work schedule.
- (4) The Supervisor should encourage the candidate to work independently and also support the candidate by allowing access to his patients, medical students and residents. He should also provide access to scientific environments (national and international), by introducing her/him to working groups and scientific networks, by encouraging her/him to take part in seminars, workshops and conferences, by helping her/him to prepare presentations, by providing her/him with information on possibilities to publish articles and by helping her/him in the writing process.

- (5) The Supervisor should support the candidate regarding her/his career plan and should mention possibilities for further disciplinary and interdisciplinary qualification.
- (6) The Supervisor should assess the work submitted by the candidate promptly and in a neutral way.
- (7) If there are any disputes with the candidate, the supervisor should accept arbitration with the Court of Examiners.

Duties and responsibilities of the Candidate

- (1) The candidate should produce a detailed and structured work plan and work schedule and submit to the supervisor for approval. (S)he must inform the supervisor if there are changes made to the work plan or schedule.
- (2) The candidate must get permission from the supervisor to attend specific courses related to the programme.
- (3) The candidate must regularly report on the work in progress to the supervisor(s). The report (approximately 1-page long) should contain a description of the achievements since the last report or since the start of the MD programme, the overall progress on the research, and the participation to lectures, conferences, guest lectures, and specific workshops. In addition, the candidate must submit part of the results (e.g. chapter of the research work, draft of article) to the supervisor(s) following the work plan and the work schedule.
- (4) The candidate must strive to present her/his scientific results to the scientific community by publishing articles in peer-reviewed journals and by presenting these results at conferences.

The persons signing this Compact agree to comply with the principles of good scientific practice and ethical guidelines.

Signature:

Signature:

Name of Candidate:

Name of Supervisor:

Date:

Date:

Attachment: -Work plan

Work Schedule