

Fellowship in Laryngology 2023-24

Under the auspices of **The Association of Phonosurgeons of India
(APSI)**



Institute: Dr Jayakumars Institute of Laryngology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

Course Director: Dr Jayakumar R Menon

Date of Entrance Examination: **19th February 2023**

Results: **27th February 2023**

I. Introduction

The Association of Phonosurgeons of India (APSI), as the senior society representing the subspecialty of laryngology, has developed guidelines for developing and implementing postgraduate training in laryngology. The main focus of these guidelines is to provide a resource for new surgeons and residents considering further training in Laryngology

II. Definition of Subspecialty

Laryngology is a subspecialty within Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery encompassing a field of knowledge that deals with disorders of voice, airway and swallowing. The laryngologist has special expertise in the diagnostic and therapeutic approaches to problems in these areas and participates in the advancement of knowledge through clinical and/or basic science research. Laryngology is a recognized area within otolaryngology training programs and further postgraduate fellowship training is an option for those otolaryngologists wishing to further their education in the field.

III. General Scope of Fellowship Education

Specialized postgraduate training in laryngology should allow exposure to the full range of laryngology, recognizing that each program will have different emphases and focus on certain areas more than others. Areas of emphases should include:

1. Neurolaryngology
2. Professional voice care
3. Neoplastic and non-neoplastic diseases of the larynx
4. Swallowing disorders
5. Disorders of the upper airway

V. Clinical Fellowship Training

The program course of study should be comprehensive and should provide each fellow with opportunities for progressive management of patients in both the clinical and surgical environments.

The academic component will provide supplemental education in the basic sciences related to laryngology including speech and rehabilitative sciences, genetics, (neuro)anatomy, (neuro)physiology, (histo)pathology, pharmacology and wound healing. The latter should include laser-tissue interactions with the various lasers used in laryngology. Fellows are expected to participate in periodic laryngology rounds that discuss comprehensive clinical issues, research issues and morbidity and mortality. The curriculum is designed so that upon completion, the fellow will have sufficient background and experience to establish an independent laryngology program at an academic institution.

Techniques in the diagnosis and management of patients with voice, airway and swallowing disorders should be taught to the laryngology fellow either through direct mentorship by the fellowship faculty or through other resources such as didactic learning or attendance at formal courses. Hands-on experience is expected.

Specific areas of training should include the following:

Outpatient Procedures

Flexible Laryngoscopy & tracheoscopy*
Stroboscopy*
Endoscopic assessment of velopharyngeal Sphincter
Flexible Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing (FEES)*
Laryngeal sensory Testing
Trans Nasal Esophagoscopy (TNE)*
Laryngeal EMG & Botulinum Toxin Injection*
Percutaneous Injection
Laryngoplasty
Video Fluoroscopic Assessment of Swallowing*

Surgical Procedures

Microlaryngeal Surgery*
Polyps
Cysts
Papilloma
Carcinoma
Laryngeal Framework Surgery*
Injection
Laryngoplasty*
Endoscopic Laser Surgery*
Glottic web surgery
Total Laryngectomy
Partial Laryngectomy
Laryngo Pharyngo Esophagectomy
/Gastric pull up

TEP
 Laryngeal Cleft Repair
 TOF Repair
 Cricopharyngeal
 Myotomy/Myectomy Laryngeal
 Closure
 Epiglottic Oversew
 Epiglottopexy
 Tracheostomy*
 Percutaneous Tracheostomy
 Cricothyrotomy (Laryngotomy)
 Excision Laryngocele
 Cleft palate repair
 Pharyngeal Flap repair
 Sphincter Pharyngoplasty
 Posterior Pharyngeal Wall
 Augmentation Hyoidopexy
 Hypopharyngoplasty
 Ary Epiglottoplasty
 Suture Cordopexy*
 Kashima's operation *
 Endoscopic Arytenoidectomy
 Woodmans operation
 Anterior Cricoid Split
 Posterior Cricoid Split

Partial Crico Tracheal Resection &
 Thyrotracheal Anastamosis
 Extended PCTR
 Tracheal Resection & Anastamosis
 Laryngeal Reinnervation – Selective
 (bilateral) & Non Selective
 (Unilateral) Thyroidectomy*
 Endoscopic Thyroidectomy
 Partidectomy
 Submandibular Sialadenectomy
 Submandibular Duct Relocation
 Sialendoscopy
 UVPP
 Midline Tongue Base Resection
 Zeta palatopharyngoplasty
 Basics of Voice Therapy*
 Basics of Swallowing
 Therapy*
 Basics of Professional Voice Care

***Procedures Fellow will be trained to
 do independently
 Rest Fellow will assist/observe**

Laryngeal Dissection Lab

Fellow can use the Laryngeal Dissection Lab to do all external & endoscopic laryngotracheal surgical procedures on Goat Larynx

Text Books Suggested (List Incomplete)

Larynx Marvin P Fried
 Larynx Robert Ossoff
 Care of Professional Voice Robert Sataloff
 Clinical evaluation of Swallowing Disorders Thomas Murry
 Trans Nasal Esophagoscopy Gregory Postma
 Surgery of the Trachea Hermis Grillo
 Phonosurgery Ford & Bless
 Stroboscopy Hirano & Bless
 Phonosurgery Ishhikki
 Vocal Cord Paralysis Lucian Sulica

Fellow can use the one of the best laryngology library (with over 100 books in laryngology and allied specialties) in the country round the clock

Journals

International Journal of Laryngology & Phonosurgery
 Journal of Voice & Laryngology
 Laryngoscope

Thesis

Fellow needs to do a thesis on the given topic during the course. Based on the thesis, one paper has to be published in the International Journal of Phonosurgery & Laryngology

Examination

There will be a sessional examination at the end of the first semester and a final examination at the end of the course. The final examination will have both theory and practical examinations, conducted by two internal and two external examiners. Certificate of Fellowship will be issued only after passing the examination.

Number of seats	2 (Two) per year, For the first seat Course will commence on 16 th April 2023 and second seat on 16 th October 2023
Duration of the Course	One year (The course is a full time residential course)
Date of commencement of the course	16 th April 2023 for the first seat and 16 th October 2023 for the second seat or on the date of commencement as certified by the Director, Dr Jayakumar's Centre for Advanced Research in Laryngology for those admitted later.
Nativity	Should be an Indian Citizen
Basic Academic Qualifications	<p>1)M.B.B.S. Degree recognized by the Medical Council of India.</p> <p>2)Should have passed the PG Degree MS in ENT from any of the Medical Colleges in India, recognized by the Medical Council of India or DNB in ENT approved by the National Board of Examinations, New Delhi.</p> <p><i>(Candidates who have appeared or are appearing for the MD/DNB examination may apply but the provisional or permanent PG Degree certificate should be produced at the time of admission counseling if selected, failing which admission will not be granted).</i></p> <p>3)Life Membership of the Association of Phonosurgeons of India</p>
Stipend	Rs. 40,000/- per month
Course Fee	INR 200,000/- to be paid in two installments of INR 100,000/- each in April & October

How to apply	<p>Aspiring candidates have to download the application form (Annexure-I) given along with this prospectus and fill it up and Completed scanned copy of the application forms should reach by e-mail on or before 4:00 pm on 31st January 2022</p> <p>For any queries Please mail to me@drsabarinath.com</p> <p>Note: Incomplete application forms and forms received after the last date will be rejected and no further communication will be entertained in this context.</p>
Application fee	<p>Rs3000/-(Three thousand rupees only). Fee should be transferred via NEFT/ UPI to</p> <p>Account Holder: “Dr Jayakumars Trust for Laryngology Training.”</p> <p>Account No: 005706700003113</p> <p>FSC Code: DLXB0000057</p> <p>Bank: Dhanlaxmi Bank</p> <p>Branch: Fort Branch, Trivandrum</p> <p>Application Fee is not refundable under any circumstances.</p>
Exam Centre	<p>Uday Samudra Luxury Beach Resort Kovalam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala</p>

Documents to be submitted at the time of interview:

- i. Valid photo ID proof
- ii. Proof of age. (Passport/Secondary School Leaving certificate showing date of birth/Tahsildar’s certificate).
- iii. Proof of Nationality (Passport/Voters ID/PAN Card).
- iv. Self-attested copy of following documents:
 - a) MBBS Degree Certificate.
 - b) MD/ DNB Degree Certificate.
 - c) Permanent Medical Council Registration Certificate of MBBS/PG Degree.
- v. Certificate from Principal of respective Medical College/Institution for candidates who are appeared/ appearing for MD/DNB (in case of candidates who have not yet passed the course)

Selection process

Entrance Examination (MCQ) 60 MCQs in LARYNGOLOGY

One hour duration

4 marks for correct answer and -1 for wrong answer

In case of tie, the eldest among them will be selected.

- a) Candidates will have to make their own arrangements to appear for the entrance test and interview and no TA/DA will be provided. No personal intimation will be sent regarding the entrance test.
- b) The Director, Dr Jayakumars Institute of Laryngology will prepare and publish the Select List and Waitlist of Candidates.
- c) Admission Memo will be issued to the selected candidates. The candidate has to report on the date fixed by the Director.
- d) Candidates who do not turn up for the allotment as per schedule, at the place and time notified, will forfeit their chance for admission, and will not be considered for admission in future or arising vacancies, irrespective of the rank.
- e) Candidates who discontinue the course after 10.00 am on 15th March 2020 will be liable to pay liquidated damages.
- f) Documents to be produced at the time of Admission (original & one photocopy)
 - a) MBBS Degree Certificate.
 - b) MD/ DNB Degree Certificate.
 - c) MD/ DNB Attempt Certificate.
 - d) Permanent Medical Council Registration Certificate of MBBS/PG Degree.
 - e) Character/conduct certificate issued by competent authority (head of institute/gazetted officer).
 - f) Selected candidates should submit Registration Certificates from the Travancore-Cochin Council of Modern Medicine within one month of admission failing which their admission will be canceled.

Course Completion

Successful completion of the fellowship program mandates the following

- Pass in the Exit Examination
- Logbook
- Onepaper//National/
- One Publication in International Journal of Phonosurgery and Laryngology

Leave during :

All the 365 days of the year are working days for fellows. However, they will be permitted to avail casual leave for 12 days, but not more than 4 days at a stretch. Any other leave will entail extension of the course. Those who take leave without prior sanction are liable to be considered to be on unauthorized absence. If the fellow is absent **without** authorization for more than 10 days, he/she will be terminated from the course and liquidated damages will be realized. All fellows are eligible for weekly off for one day. This will be allowed by the Head of the Department concerned without affecting the routine functioning of the Department. Weekly off cannot be accumulated. CMEs, workshops and other academic

programs conducted by recognized academic bodies are essential aspects of training **programs**. All fellows will be permitted to attend such program without affecting the routine working of the Department concerned. The Head of the Department shall sanction leave-on-duty to fellows provided they apply prior to the CME program and **submit an attendance** certificate on return. Any violation will be viewed seriously warranting termination of the course.

PrivatePractice

Post Graduate students shall not engage in private practice of any sort during the course of study.

General

All students admitted to Dr Jayakumars Institute of Laryngology will be bound by the rules and regulations as decided by the Director, Dr Jayakumars center for Advanced Research in laryngology Pvt Ltd from time to time. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Prospectus, the Director may at any time revise or amend any clause in the prospectus. Any court cases/disputes shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of competent courts in Kerala.

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DIRECTOR

Date :**19.12. 2022**

