

*Application to become an ESGENA Training Centre for clinical grants



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Dear colleagues,

Since 2006, ESGENA has offered clinical grants to registered European nurses who wish to undertake further clinical training in

- endoscopic techniques
- endoscopy nursing including sedation and monitoring
- GI function tests
- hygiene and infection control
- management of endoscopy unit
- gastroenterological nursing including care of specific patient groups (e.g. IBD)

It has always been of great importance to ESGENA that

- specific aims and learning outcomes are defined for each grant
- the visits take place in specialised centres
- each grantee has a dedicated tutor during the visit

These broad criteria have been used as an orientation to guest departments. Even the feedback after grants were very positive and the situation for grants varies from country to country, it has become clear that uniform criteria are necessary to create comparable and verifiable conditions.

In 2012, the ESGENA Education Working Group (EEWG) in which 25 ESGENA membership countries are represented by a national delegate, developed common quality criteria for guest departments. These unified criteria led to the establishment of dedicated ESGENA training centres.

Criteria for acceptance

The following quality criteria are defined for ESGENA training centres:

Range of interventions

ESGENA training centers should offer a wide range of endoscopic procedures. This can also include other specialties than gastroenterology, e.g. thoracic medicine, urology or ENT. Diversity and number of interventions per year serve as indicators for a wide range of technical expertise and experience.

Nursing care

Many grantees are interested in advanced nurses roles. They often have the task to extent the role of nurses in their country or have the task to built up or take over new workspaces in their departments. Examples would be:

- Sedation - "NAPS nurses"
- Specialization in individual areas for example Nutrition & PEG IBD patients
- Hygiene & infection control
- Function tests performed by nurses
- Capsule endoscopy
- Nurse endoscopists
- Management of departments

Legal restrictions

Due to legal restrictions, hands-on training is not available in many countries, because the grantees are not registered as nurses in the respective country. In these cases, guest nurses may still participate in clinical work as observers, learning from their colleagues.

Connections to ESGENA

It is very important for the ESGENA governing board, that a training centre works closely together with the European society and that European guidelines and standards are followed. ESGENA should be known in the department. Therefore, it is essential that at least one team member is active within ESGENA, e.g. as

- Member of the ESGENA governing board
- Member of the ESGENA Education working group (EEWG)
- Tutor at ESGE ESGENA hands-on training courses during conferences
- Tutor at ESGE-ESGENA workshops with live demonstrations
- Speaker or chair at ESGENA conferences

Each training centre needs to have a dedicated contact person, who acts as an overall organiser for both, ESGENA and the individual grantee.

Qualifications of the tutors

In many countries a formal qualification for tutors are available. The supervising tutor should have experience in teaching and expertise in Endoscopy.

Defined aims and learning outcomes

It is very important for ESGENA that individual aims and learning outcomes are defined for each grantee. A combination of theory and practice supports the achievement of these objectives.

Access to learning facilities

In order to enable a self-directed learning, access to library and internet is desirable. The availability of literature supports the learning process. During the stay, the guest nurse can independently complete and extent her/his background knowledge.

Training centers usually have separate classrooms with appropriate technical equipment for theoretical instruction. In bigger hospitals classrooms are often used across disciplines.

Practical training requires extensive endoscopy specific equipment including light sources, endoscopes and a wide range of endoscopic accessories. Larger training centers usually have appropriate training facilities, possibly with commercial or home-built training models. Videos and interactive learning models as dummies support the teaching of practical content. Separate training rooms are helpful to avoid any occupation of endoscopy rooms in daily routine

Team support

A key issue for a training centre is the support of the management and the various teams involved:

- The approval of the hospital management and the director of nursing are essential because a training center binds human and financial resources. Costs for staff and equipment should be factored in the budget. The legal situation should be clarified in general and individually for each grantee (Which status has a grantee – observer or part of a team, where are limits and possibilities to learn?)
- The support of the multi-disciplinary endoscopy team is essential, because a guest always cause a certain amount of stress and workload, which should be worn by the team. The aim is that the grantee feels comfortable and can learn.
- Support for the medical management is necessary to coordinate patient and procedure related aspects. In addition, physicians naturally teach during interventions.
- Optimally, the teaching and hands-on training is scheduled in the endoscopy lists. ESGENA is aware that the implementation is more difficult in times of staff shortage

Accommodation

Finally the grantee needs support to find an accommodation. Language courses can be combined with grant, but their costs cannot be covered by ESGENA

We would like to invite your department to apply to become an ESGENA training centre
Please complete the enclosed questionnaire. The details given on the questionnaire will be displayed on the ESGENA website to facilitate trainees to choose an appropriate centre. Before publication you will receive the final document for approval.

Application process:

- Selection will be made by the ESGENA Board.

Applications should be sent to Jayne Tillet: jayne.tillett@fsmail.net

We are looking forward receiving your applications

The ESGENA Governing Board



Clinical Grant Application as Training Centre

APPLICANT'S DETAILS

Please complete in BLOCK LETTERS

HOSPITAL	
DEPARTMENT	
STREET	
POSTCODE & CITY	
COUNTRY	
WEB SITE OF HOSPITAL / Department	
CONTACT PERSON ***	
POSITION IN HOSPITAL	
TELEPHONE	
FAX	
E-MAIL	
DEDICATED MENTOR (NAME) ,***	
QUALIFICATION	
EXPERIENCE IN TEACHING	
LANGUAGES SPOKEN IN YOUR DEPARTMENT:	

Co-operation with ESGENA		
STUDY FACILITIES available in institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Video / tapes ○ library ○ Internet access for research ○ Interactive Teaching methods (e.g. dummies) ○ Others, please specify: 	
Department will only accept ESGENA clinical grant applicants for	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Up to 1 day ○ 2-3 days ○ 1 week ○ 2 week ○ 3 weeks ○ 4 weeks 	Comments:
Department will accept also other individual autonomous approaches (self financing)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Up to 1 day ○ 2-3 days ○ 1 week ○ 2 week ○ 3 weeks ○ 4 weeks 	Comments:
Procedures per year Please include number of procedures which you think are important to know	Procedure / technique	Number per year
	○ Upper GI Endoscopy = ÖGD	
	○ Lower GI Endoscopy = Colonoscopy	
	○ EMR	
	○ ESD	
	○ PEG	
	○ Enteroscopy (Capsule, DBE/SBE, etc)	
	○ ERCP and associated methods	
	○ Percutaneous interventions	
	○ EUS	
	○ GE function tests (Motility, ph manometry, breath tests, etc)	
	○ Bronchoscopy and associated methods	
	○ EBUS	
	○ Thoracoscopy	
	○ Cystoscopy and associated methods	
○ Others, please specify: e.g. POEM,		
○ NAPS		
○ IBD,IBS		
	○ Others:	

<p>The following specialisations for nurses are established at the department and can be observed</p> <p>Please include the information, you think are important to know</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Specialisation for nurses ○ PEG / Nutrition ○ Colo rectal cancer screening (CRC) ○ Stoma care ○ Cancer specialist nurse ○ Paediatric endoscopy ○ Nurse endoscopists ○ Capsule endoscopy ○ GI Function tests (Motility, ph manometry, breath tests, etc) ○ Management of units ○ Hygiene & infection control ○ Specialist Education of endoscopy ○ Other training options for nurses 	<p>Comments</p>
<p>Visitors have the following status</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Observers(=not allowed to work on patients) ○ Visitors can assist during procedures / ○ work with patients 	
<p>Concept for visitors:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Aims & learning outcomes will be defined with each visitor ○ Visitors receive one nominated tutor ○ Several tutors are available ○ The grant concept offer theory and practice focused on the defined aims and learning outcomes ○ The grant concept is focused on practical aspects 	
<p>Applicants will need the following health care surveillance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ vaccination, which: ○ MRSA status:_____ ○ Others: 	
<p>ACCOMMODATION Which is provided by hospital?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hotel ○ Private accommodation ○ Bed & breakfast ○ Hospital accommodation 	

The following authorities and department support the Application to become an ESGENA Training Centre:

Medical Management	
Name:	
Position within Endoscopy / Gastroenterology:	
Signature	
Date	

Hospital Management	
Name:	
Position within Hospital	
Signature	
Date	

Nurse Management	
Name:	
Position within Hospital	
Signature	
Date	

Applicant	
Name:	
Position within Hospital	
Signature	
Date	