



The “Work Group on Implementation of Cooperative Agreements between the AAPM and other National and International Medical Physics Organizations (WGNIMP)” within the AAPM’s International Educational Activities Committee, is inviting individual medical physicists and educational institutions to participate in the educational exchange program for medical physicists developed between the AAPM and the Spanish Medical Physics Society (SEFM) and between the AAPM and the Association of Medical Physicists in Russia (AMPR).

The programs involve educational, training and research activities in medical physics for either students (engaged either in an academic or in a clinical residence program) or professionals (called “invited members”). According to Agreements signed by the respective societies, “The education and training of medical physicists from either Spain or Russia in the USA will take place at the institutions accepting participants for a period of up to 6 months. The Students will obtain training in general and specialized aspects of Medical Physics in the different fields of Medical Physics. The Students and Invited Members while at each centre are expected to study on a fulltime basis with no unexcused absences”. Regarding research activities, the plan is to have “Development of joint research projects in research topics of common interest”.

The WGNIMP is interested in identifying:

1. Educational institutions in the United States willing to host Spanish and/or Russian medical physicists, both students and professionals.
 - a. What educational or research program(s) you are offering. Indicate the field of specialization and subspecialty, if appropriate (i.e. radiation therapy, IMRT)
 - b. The educational, skills and experience requirements the foreign medical physicists ought to have.
 - c. The duration of the program (up to 6 months).
 - d. The possibility of financial assistance. (The agreements specify that the students and “invited members” in the exchange will come with funding, but additional assistance, if available, would be welcome.)
2. Individual medical physicists, engaged in a clinical residence program or involved in a specific research project interested in going either to Spain or Russia (please specify) to advance their knowledge.
 - a. Type of institution sought (hospital, university, research center)
 - i. If a hospital, type of training sought with details (e.g. clinical radiation therapy, in vivo dosimetry)
 - ii. If a university, type of educational program sought (graduate, post-graduate...)
 - iii. If a research center, specify project to be involved.
 - b. Expected outcome of the visit (certificate, letter, joint published paper, other – specify).
 - c. The duration of the program (up to 6 months).
 - d. Proof of financial solvency to live in the selected country for the required period.
 - e. A description of relevant language skills.

Should you be interested in applying, please send an e-mail responding to the questions above to Cari Borrás, Chair WGNIMP at cariborras@starpower.net.