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## DEPARTMENT OF RADIOLOGY

10<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

Dear Prof Howard Rowley,

### LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR ASNR VISITING PROFESSOR PROGRAMME

It is with gratitude to ASNR, Dr Walter Kucharczyk and Dr Jocelyn Lapointe, that write this letter of support. In deed our first experience was June 2016 when Prof Hemand Parmer visited our department between 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 and 10<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

During the visit, was given the following schedule;

- Didactic lectures from 7:30am to 9:00am every morning Monday to Friday
- Interaction with Residents on CT scan and MRI rotations, Faculty Members and Radiology Technicians 9:30am to 12:30 pm
- Case Reviews with Residents 2:00 to 4:00pm every day, Monday to Thursday.

He gave didactic Lectures on the following topics.

1. Temporal Bone – Anatomy and Pathology
2. Paediatric Neuroradiology
3. Imaging of Cranial nerves and pathologies
4. Imaging of the sellar and parasellar regions and pathologies
5. Brain tumour imaging – Basic and Advanced imaging techniques.

He also did case reviews in the following areas.

1. General Neuroradiology Cases starting from very basic to advance cases
2. Paediatric neuroradiology cases
3. Head and Neck cases
4. Spinal cases

We had Residents and Faculty from Radiology Department participating in all his lectures.

In addition we were joined at various stages by

1. Residents and Faculty of ENT Department
2. Residents and Faculty of Neurosurgery Unit
3. Residents and Faculty of Radiation Oncology Department
4. Some Residents and Faculty of the two other Radiology Training centres in the country

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In my estimation the programme was very useful and interactive and every resident and faculty member who attended learnt a lot from Professor Parmer. It worth mentioning that

- Both Resident and Faculty of the Radiology Department were educated by the presentations by our visiting professor. Everyone score him excellent on the evaluation sheet.
- Knowledge provided had both basic and advance content and was very relevant to the practice of radiology in Ghana.
- Expertise was shared with the technicians, residents and faculty who were on duty in the mornings
- Some protocols that were hitherto not available were shared with the department. Examples are reforming temporal bone images to see the semicircular canals well, coronal cuts through the IAM on study state 3D MRI images
- Suggestions on learning methods and aids were made to Residents and Faculty

We also had the chance to discuss some other issues with him despite his busy schedule. Among them were some future plans including

- To continue to participate in the ASNR Visiting Professor programme
- To look at future bilateral relationship between Korle Bu Teaching Hospital and University of Michigan, which is already being done by Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (for approximately 30 years) and Department of Family Medicine (about 2 years).
- To send difficult cases to Prof Hemant Parmer when they arise for his opinion
- Possibility of remote access to University of Michigan Residents' lectures

We are grateful to the ASNR Programme for bringing a Visiting Professor, more so Prof Parmer to us. We look forward to having a regular ASNR Visiting Professor slot every year. Thank you.

Yours faithfully,



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