IPNA Fellowship Program

Providing pediatricians who work far from a pediatric nephrology training center with training in order to disseminate knowledge of pediatric nephrology to different regions around the world.

Dr. Asmau Aliyu’s message

I am currently undergoing a paediatric Nephrology training at the Red Cross War Memorial Childrens Hospital, in Cape Town. I started my training in November 2017 and I will be ending my year here soon.

Coming to Cape Town and undergoing this training has given me a wealth of experience way beyond my expectations. I really enjoyed the whole process, travelling to a new place and staying for the year at first seemed a huge task, but the year is moving very fast and so is the knowledge I am accumulating. During this year I have learned to manage paediatric nephrology patients from point of presentation to discharge and also through follow up. I have learnt some clinical skills including insertion of PD catheters, performing renal biopsies, and insertion of central lines. I have been involved in the management of various conditions from conditions like Nephrotic syndrome, posterior urethral valves to renal transplantation. The use and interpretation of investigations including ultrasound scans, angiography, urodynamics, videourodynamics to mention a few in the management of renal conditions.

During this training period I also had the opportunity to attend some workshops including the "Saving young lives” training workshop.

There was also the meeting of new people, colleagues from all over Africa, my trainers and other staff. I have also been exposed to new cultures, and a different society. Cape Town is a beautiful town and it was a lovely experience staying here during this period.

I really appreciate this opportunity given to me by IPNA and I hope to go back home soon and make a great difference.

Thank you.

Dr. Asmau Aliyu