



Travel Grant Report Form

Name and origin of applicants

[State name and origin of applicants]

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Purpose granted

[State purpose of the study granted in the application]

To job shadow/observe in 2 different University Hospitals in Virginia, USA in their PICU

Amount granted

[Amount granted in DKK]

29.000,- NOK which covered plane tickets, hotel and car rental during our stay.

Time and place of visit

[State time and place of visit]

October 24. – October 28. 2016, University of Virginia Health System, Charlottesville, and Medical
College of Virginia, Richmond, USA

Report

[Report of the visit/study – 300 words]

We visited 2 different Pediatric Intensive Care Units at 2 University hospitals. We focused our time on shadowing nurses and looking at their protocols/ guidelines for commonly used treatments including organ donation and preservation of organs. During our stay at the second hospital we were able to

partake in an actual donor patient. We spent the last 2 days engaged in this process and were able to discuss and go through the guidelines used with respect to donation and preservation of organs.

Evaluation

[Personal evaluation and “lesson learned”]

We were able to discuss our case afterwards and go through the differences with respect to organ donation and preservation of organs. The US uses outside sources (Life Net in our case) to come into the hospital and discuss donation to the potential donor family. Once the patient is declared “expired”, then Life Net orders the care and organization of the donor. We will be using our experiences in Virginia and present the information to our coworkers. We encourage an open discussion using protocols from both countries and discussing best practice to be used.
