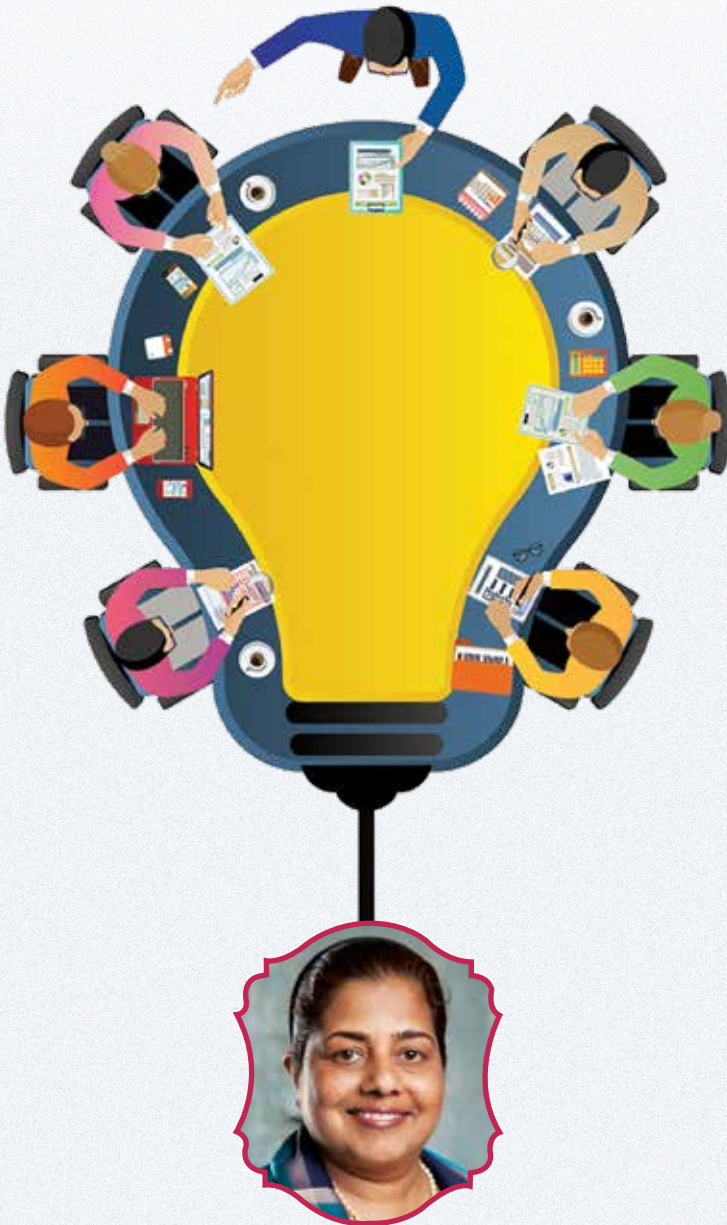


# The Rising Star Program

Mentorship Program of Association of Kerala Medical Graduates



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Mentorship for the younger generation of members is a crucial mission for any organization, and the Association of Kerala Medical Graduates (AKMG) has embraced this responsibility earnestly. Over the past five years, we have formalized our mentorship program, which gained significant traction in 2020 with the advent of Zoom meetings. Currently, the focus is on mentoring medical students and international medical graduates eligible for AKMG membership, preparing them for the United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) and the residency application process through online meetings. This initiative is known as the Rising Star program.

## The Rising Star Program

The Rising Star Mentorship program is designed specifically for those applying for residency positions in the United States, offering unique benefits and tailored support. After experimenting with various models, we finalized the current sustainable model in January 2024.

The program accepts registrations twice a year, in January and June, for a period of four weeks. Interested candidates can visit the Rising Star tab on our website to review the frequently asked questions (FAQ) and learn about the program offerings. During the registration periods, applicants can fill out the application form and upload their CV and personal statement. The personal statement should detail their qualifications, connection to Kerala by education or heritage, interest in training in America, reasons for choosing their specialty, USMLE exam status, and the number of attempts for each exam. The core mentorship committee reviews all applications and approves eligible candidates.