

Sample Letter of Recommendation

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Name of institution
Address of institution

Re: John Smith

Dear Director,

I'm happy to write this letter on behalf of Mr. John Smith. I have been part of the clinical faculty at New York University for 10 years and in that time, I've worked with countless medical students. I worked personally with Mr. Smith for an eight-week rotation in a family medical clinic, and I became very familiarized with his clinical skills.

Mr. Smith consistently showed up prepared and thoroughly informed about each patient's history and experiences. In one scenario, Mr. Smith recommended further testing for one patient's blood pressure problems, demonstrating his deep understanding of the patient, as well as the patient's history with other physicians. In another case, Mr. Smith pinpointed a patient's heart arrhythmia and suggested proper treatment.

Mr. Smith was also a strong leader. He worked well with first-year medical students, provided guidance, and offered value feedback on patient education and in-person interactions. He demonstrated his ability to work both independently and as part of a team, showing versatility and strength across multiple environments.

I can confidently say that Mr. Smith is exceptionally bright. He excels in patient care, he's a proactive and eager learner, and he has all of the desirable qualities for participating in the family medical clinic environment. He easily connects with patients from all walks of life and has a deep care for every person he encounters.

Mr. Smith would be an asset to any residency. He easily fell within the top 10% of students I've worked with over the last decade, and I would trust his medical care with my own loved ones. I recommend him wholeheartedly.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of attending]