

## **MSK Housing Policies and Procedures for Clinical Trainees and Postdocs**

Please refer to the eligibility criteria below. If you meet the requirements, use the provided links to apply for MSK housing:

- [Clinical Trainee Application](#)
- [Postdoc Application](#)

### **1. Who Can Apply for MSK housing?**

#### **a. New Trainee Hires:**

- ***Clinical Trainees: Clinical Fellows and Residents (GME), Advanced Practice Provider Fellows, Pharmacy Residents***
- ***Postdocs: Research Scholars, Research Associates, Research Fellows***

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- All newly hired trainees in the above groups whose training program lasts at least one year are eligible to apply for housing.
- Applications can be submitted once an appointment letter (for Sloan Kettering Institute) or new hire/program offer letter/match notification letter (for Graduate Medical Education/Memorial Hospital) is received.
- Applications must be submitted at least 60 days before the desired move-in date.

#### **Additional Notes for Postdocs:**

- Housing approvals are subject to availability.
- Trainees who previously declined a housing offer or opted not to seek MSK housing within their first year of employment are not eligible to reapply.
- Research Scholars and Research Associates are eligible for up to 48 months in MSK housing, or upon reaching PGY5 (postgraduate year), whichever comes first. For more details read [HERE](#).
- Research Fellows are eligible for housing for up to two years or upon reaching PGY5, vacancy allowing; housing is subject to availability and not guaranteed.

#### **Additional Notes for Clinical Trainees:**

- Housing approvals are subject to availability and are not guaranteed.
- Housing units will be allocated based on training program responsibilities according to both departmental and institutional frameworks.
- If an initial application is not accommodated, applicants may reapply within the first two years of employment, provided at least 12 months have passed since the previous application submission date.
- For additional details read [HERE](#).

This policy is last updated November 17, 2025, by MSK Housing Office, and is subject to change at any time.

***b. Current Trainee Tenants of MSK Housing***

- Current tenants whose family size changes may apply for an upgrade or downgrade to accommodate the change.
- Requests for specific units or buildings cannot be accommodated.
- Transfer requests will be processed in the same queue as new applications and are subject to availability.
- Lateral transfers within MSK housing are not permitted.
- MSK trainees transitioning to faculty roles may apply for MSK faculty housing upon accepting a faculty position at MSK.
- These applications will be considered alongside other faculty applications in the queue.
- Trainees occupying MSK housing must vacate their unit at the end of the training period, regardless of the status of the faculty housing application.
- Trainees transitioning to a different program, lab, or role must inform the Housing Office by email by February in the year their current program ends. Retention of housing is subject to approval and is not guaranteed.

***c. Current MSK Trainees Not in Housing***

- Clinical trainees employed at MSK for less than two years but not in MSK housing are eligible to apply.
- Postdocs who are within their first year of employment and have not previously declined a housing offer are eligible to apply for MSK housing.

**2. Unit Size Eligibility**

Housing unit sizes are assigned based on family size, defined as the MSK trainee, their spouse/partner, and children. Additional individuals (e.g., grandparents, sitters) are not included in family size calculations.

- **Shared unit:** Primarily for students; limited availability for other trainees.
- **Studio:** Singles
- **One-bedroom:** Singles, and couples without children
- **Two-bedroom:** Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) with one or more children

**3. Apartment Offers**

Due to limited inventory and high demand, not all applicants will be granted housing. While we aim to accommodate individual needs, specific unit types or locations cannot be guaranteed.

**Offer Timeline:**

This policy is last updated November 17, 2025, by MSK Housing Office, and is subject to change at any time.

- Housing decisions for new trainees will be communicated at least 30 days before their MSK start date, provided the application is submitted at least 60 days in advance.
- Current MSK trainees will be notified within 90 days of submitting their application.
  - If an applicant is not made an apartment offer, the applicant may reapply, provided at least 12 months have passed since the previous application submission date.

### **Offer Acceptance:**

- Offers will be communicated via the email provided on the housing application; applicants must ensure they provide the correct email address.
- Once a housing offer is made, applicants have 15 days to accept it. If the offer is not accepted within this period, it will expire, and the applicant will be ***ineligible to reapply***.
- Applicants may request a unit tour within the 15-day acceptance period if the unit is unoccupied.
- Media materials and building information will be provided due to the limited availability of viewable units.
- Occupancy can begin up to 14 days before the MSK start date, subject to availability, and must occur within 30 days of the start date.

## **4. Cost of Rent & Unit Locations**

### **Trainee Type Rental Rate 2026**

<b>Apartment Size**</b>	<b>Clinical Trainees and Postdocs</b>
Share	\$1,821 per trainee
Studio	\$1,902 - \$2,214
One bedroom	\$2,416 - \$2,694
Two bedrooms	\$3,550 - \$3,683

\*\* All shared apartments are fully furnished.

\*\*\* Prices are subject to change annually.

- Rent is payroll-deducted bi-monthly, except for trainees with external funding.
- Housing options include locations from East 54th Street to East 89th Street (Manhattan's Upper East Side) and Roosevelt Island.
  - Research trainees are primarily housed on Roosevelt Island.
- Unit assignments are based on availability, and specific rent and location preferences cannot be accommodated.