Clinical Fellow in Hip and Knee Joint Reconstruction

Main Duties and Responsibilities

The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital was founded in 1907 with the amalgamation of London’s three specialist orthopaedic hospitals into one single centre of excellence. We can therefore trace our history back to 1838 when the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital was founded. The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust was formed in 1991 as part of the first wave of NHS Trusts.

We provide a comprehensive range of neuro-musculoskeletal health care, ranging from the most acute spinal injury or complex bone tumour to orthopaedic medicine and specialist rehabilitation for chronic back pain sufferers. This broad range of neuro-musculoskeletal services is unique within the NHS.

There are 240 in-patient beds on the main hospital site at Stanmore, meeting patients’ needs of all ages. 20,000 out-patients per annum are seen at the Stanmore site and a further 20,000 patients per annum are seen at our Bolsover Street site in Central London.

Training and Education

Teaching is inherent to the Trust’s work and the specialist training provided across a range of disciplines is in great demand both in this country and abroad. We work closely with the on site Institute of Orthopaedics and Musculo-Skeletal Science, which forms the hub of the country’s most comprehensive training programme for orthopaedic surgeons (20% of all UK orthopaedic surgeons receive training here).

A wide range of postgraduate training courses is also provided ranging from Advanced Trauma Life Support (ATLS) to specialist courses such as Arthroscopy and Arthroplasty. The Postgraduate Medical Education Centre also houses the Trust’s Medical Library.

The Joint Reconstruction Unit

The joint reconstruction unit undertakes all aspects of hip and knee surgery and consists of 6 consultants:

Mr Richard Carrington
Mr James Donaldson
Professor Alister Hart
Mr Chethan Jayadev
Mr Jonathan Miles
Professor John Skinner
The unit regularly receives nationwide referrals for complex problems including complex primary and revision arthroplasty. It is a national leader on many aspects of hip and knee surgery with unparalleled experience in revision arthroplasty, massive endoprostheses, custom implants, cartilage regeneration, and has helped produce national guidelines on metal on metal hip replacements and prosthetic joint infection.

At present it has close attachments with the Institute of Orthopaedics University and College London.

**Particulars of the appointment**

There are two fellowship positions for post CCT surgeons, with FRCS (Tr&Orth) or equivalent, wishing to undertake further training in complex hip and knee surgery. The fellow will spend one year at the RNOH rotating between the consultants.

Successful applicants will be expected to become integrated members of the team involved in the day-to-day care of patients on the wards, outpatient clinics and theatres. They will be expected to run the JRU educational program and present complex cases at weekly meetings. There is no on-call commitment.

It is expected that the applicant should already be able to perform primary hip and knee replacements independently.

The successful applicant will also be expected to participate in research and provide evidence at the end of their attachment of a peer-reviewed clinical publication or international presentation. There will also be ample opportunity to be involved with quality improvement projects and audit, including robotic surgery and day case arthroplasty. A dedicated weekly research session will be provided to achieve the above.

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