

Academic Fellowship in Bariatric Anaesthesia

Description of the post - Specialty
Anaesthesia

Grade/Level
ST5 (or equivalent) and above

Location
North East London

Site
Homerton

Website
www.homerton.nhs.uk

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Department Information:

Homerton University Hospital is set in Hackney, one of the most diverse and cosmopolitan boroughs in the UK and ethnic minorities constitute 50% of the population. The practice of medicine at the hospital reflects the multicultural inner city population, with chronic inter-current disease states making routine anaesthesia more of a challenge. There are nearly 500 acute beds, a large Accident and Emergency Department, and over 6000 obstetric deliveries.

The anaesthetic department at the Homerton is situated at the heart of the hospital. There are 18 consultants and 30 junior anaesthetists. A further 5 consultants manage a busy 10 bedded intensive care unit. The main theatre suite and adjacent labour ward house 7 modern theatres, two of which are dedicated to Obstetrics. The Day Stay Unit has an additional 3 theatres.

In December 2012, a newly built dedicated minimal access surgery theatre was opened for use and provides surgery solely in bariatrics. The number of cases performed yearly is around 300. These are mainly laparoscopic gastric bypass or sleeve gastrectomy procedures. These numbers are likely to increase as a result of the latest NICE guidance.

DUTIES OF THE POST

The post is aimed at an anaesthetist who is looking to gain clinical and research experience in the field of bariatric anaesthesia. Dedicated training time would be provided within bariatric anaesthesia at the Homerton as part of the East London Obesity Service. The post holder will regularly work with the bariatric surgical teams and will have the opportunity to be involved in pre-op assessment, the multi-disciplinary team meetings and post-operative optimization within the ITU.

The appointee will be required to take responsibility with his/her colleagues in the provision of a full anaesthetic service to the trust. Routine duties include providing peri operative care for patients in the trust including pre and postoperative visits. He or she will carry out anaesthetic duties at a level appropriate to clinical experience and competence which will also determine the degree of supervision. On call duties include providing anaesthetic services for obstetrics on a full shift rota. The on-call registrar team provides emergency anaesthetic cover for theatres and the pain service 24 hours a day. Duties of the post may be subject to change due to reconfiguration of services within the trust.

The post holder will be responsible to a nominated consultant and the Clinical Director of the department and will be expected to work with consultants to maintain standards, education and develop skills.

JOB PLAN

Resident 1:8 full shift. EWTD 09 compliant 48 hour week.

REQUIREMENTS

This post is intended for an anaesthetist at ST5 (or equivalent) and above, or those with the CCT who want to enhance their CV by developing further clinical experience. On call experience for intensive care and obstetrics is essential. Applicants should be in possession of the FRCA, FFARCSI or equivalent.

TEACHING, STUDY AND TRAINING

The appointee will be allocated to an individual educational supervisor, who will ensure that bariatric training and competencies are developed according to the RCOA / SOBA guidelines. The post holder will be an integral part of the team and expected to contribute to the teaching of doctors in training, medical students and other staff groups.

It is expected that the post holder will take part in the regular departmental

Clinical Governance meetings and participate in Continuing Medical Education as required by the Royal College of Anaesthetists. There is a weekly academic anaesthetic meeting in the department, which the appointee is expected to attend and contribute to. There is also a weekly journal club within the intensive care unit.

The post holder will be expected to contribute to the yearly Homerton bariatric symposium. The appointee is encouraged to become a member of SOBA and attend and ideally present at a minimum of one of their meetings during the year. To achieve this protected time will be allocated for audit, research and quality improvement initiatives in bariatric anaesthesia (1 session a week).

The Homerton Anaesthetic Department has a selection of up to date reference texts plus network computers allowing access to the internet, intranet and preparation of PowerPoint presentations. There is a Postgraduate Medical Education Centre, which runs regular lunchtime meetings for trainees, and there is a well-equipped library and audiovisual department.

AUDIT

There are cyclical audit projects available for trainees who are actively encouraged to participate in. There are opportunities to present this work at trust wide clinical governance and audit days.

STUDY LEAVE AND ANNUAL LEAVE

Study leave will be granted in accordance with the terms and conditions of service of Hospital Medical and Dental Staff. Study leave must be applied for at least six weeks in advance and if possible more than six weeks notice should be given.

MAIN CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

This appointment is for 12 months which includes a 3 month probationary period and is subject to formal clinical performance review by the Clinical Director. A 3 month notice period is required for termination of the contract by either party.

The appointment is in line with the National Health Service Terms and Conditions of Service for Hospital Medical and Dental Staff (England and Wales), the General Whitley Council Conditions of Service, and unless the practitioner "opts out", or is ineligible to join, the regulations governing the National Health Service Superannuation Scheme - all as may be amended from time to time.

CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT

The appointment will be subject to passing satisfactorily a health-screening questionnaire, which, if deemed necessary, will be followed up by a medical examination arranged through the Occupational Health Department prior to appointment.

The passing of a medical examination shall be a condition of employment for all new entrants to the National Health Service and for those returning to the Health Service after a period of service outside Great Britain.

The Practitioner is required to be fully registered with the General Medical Council.

Medical negligence indemnity is provided by the Trust for all duties covered by this post. Post-holders should acquaint themselves with those aspects of medical practice not covered by this indemnity.

DATE WHEN POST IS VACANT – Aug 2019

DETAILS OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR APPLICANTS VISITING HOSPITALS AND MEETING EXISTING MEMBERS OF STAFF

Arrangements to visit the hospital can be made via Teresa Araniello, Department of Anaesthesia secretary on 0208 510 5218.

Appendix 1 Working week template for rota

Rolling template over 8 week period

1	day	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
1	mon	LD	Theatres/Rpm	OFF	Theatres	N	Theatres	OFF	Theatres
1	tue	LD	Theatres	OFF	Theatres	N	Theatres	OFF	Theatres
1	wed	LD	R/A	OFF	R/A	N	R/A	OFF	R/A
1	thu	LD	Theatres	OFF	Theatres	N	Theatres	OFF	Theatres
1	fri	OFF	N	OFF	Theatres	OFF	LD	OFF	Theatres
1	sat		N				LD		
1	sun		N				LD		

Key

On call for Obstetrics

LD 0800 to 2030hrs

N 2000-0830hrs

R/A – Research / Admin day (exact day may vary dependent on service needs)

Theatre lists 0800- 1700hrs