

AOA ACCREDITED FELLOWSHIP WEBSITE SUMMARY

TITLE OF FELLOWSHIP	Paediatric Orthopaedic Neuromuscular Fellowship at the Royal Children's Hospital (VIC19515)	
	Primary	Neuromuscular
	Secondary	General Paediatric Orthopaedics Paediatric Spine Paediatric Trauma
Chief supervisor	A/Prof Leo Donnan, FRACS FAOrthA	
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Length	12 months	
Stipend	Included	
Institutions	The Royal Children's Hospital	
Educational goals and characteristics	<p>Program Description A year-long clinical fellowship offers advanced training in paediatric neuromuscular disorders, focusing on clinical evaluation, diagnostics, surgical planning, and operative techniques for children from birth to adult transition.</p> <p>The Fellow gains exposure to various neuromuscular disorders, particularly focusing on cerebral palsy. The skill set developed includes three-dimensional gait analysis, multidisciplinary planning, a team surgical approach, and rehabilitation planning.</p> <p>Includes a broad exposure to all aspects of paediatric orthopaedics</p> <p>Core Components</p> <p>Clinical Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive exposure to a full spectrum of neuromuscular disorders • Dedicated clinics for specialty areas • Regular participation in multidisciplinary clinics, working closely with specialist nurses and physiotherapists • Emergency care and trauma management • Minimum case volume requirement: 300 surgical procedures over the 12-month program <p>Educational Activities</p>	

- Weekly educational conferences and case discussions
- Monthly journal clubs and research meetings
- Regular radiology conferences
- Weekly gait laboratory reporting and planning meetings
- Monthly mortality and morbidity meetings
- Participation in registrar and medical student education
- Annual surgical audit and peer review
- Online courses

Research Requirements

- Completion of at least one clinical research projects
- Presentation at national/international conference when applicable
- Submission of a manuscript to a peer-reviewed journal
- Research support
 - Appointed to the Murdoch Children's Research Institute
 - Access to research support staff and statistical services
 - Gait Laboratory Team

Rotation Structure

- 12 months starting August each year
- Specialty surgical service 75% of activity: CP, Neuromuscular and Spina Bifida
- General surgical service 25% of activity
 - Trauma
 - Upper limb
 - Foot and ankle
 - Sports medicine

Program Details

Duration

- 12 months, starting August each year

Prerequisites

- Completion of accredited orthopaedic surgery residency
- Valid medical license
- Strong letters of recommendation
- English proficiency
- Research experience preferred

Call Responsibilities

- Rotating on-call schedule with faculty supervision
- Average 1:6 call frequency
- Dedicated support from resident team

Benefits

- Competitive salary
- Workcover insurance
- Professional development funds
- Conference attendance support
- Paid vacation time

Application Process

- Application deadline: September 1st for positions two years later
- Interview period: November- December
- Required documents:
 - CV
 - Personal statement
 - Three letters of recommendation
 - Training scores (if available)
 - Medical school transcripts

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English proficiency documentation? <p>Program Goals</p> <p>Upon completion, fellows will be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Proficient in managing complex paediatric neuromuscular conditions 2. Experienced in the latest surgical techniques 3. Competent in gait analysis techniques and interpretation of kinematic and kinetic data and determination of surgical recommendations 3. Capable of independent practice 4. Prepared for academic or private practice career
Requirements/ criteria	The applicant must have completed his/her specialist training program in their country or be in their final year completing elective.
How to Apply	<p>Applicants must complete the application in full, incomplete applications will not be processed. The link to the application form is below.</p> <p>http://www.rch.org.au/ortho/education_training/Fellowship_in_paediatric_orthopaedics_training_program/</p> <p>Applications should be forwarded to: Cvetanka Bogoeska PA to Director of Orthopaedics The Royal Children's Hospital Flemington Road Parkville VIC 3052 Australia</p>