

AOA ACCREDITED FELLOWSHIP WEBSITE SUMMARY

TITLE OF FELLOWSHIP	Paediatric Orthopaedic Spinal Fellowship at the Royal Children's Hospital (VIC20626)	
	Primary	Spine
	Secondary	General Paediatric Orthopaedics Paediatric Trauma
Chief supervisor	A/Prof Leo Donnan, FRACS FAOrthA	
Supervisors	Dr Michael Johnson Dr Kris Lundine	
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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 spinal deformity, focusing on clinical evaluation, diagnostics, surgical planning, and operative techniques for children from birth to adolescence.</p> <p>The Fellow is exposed to the full range of spinal surgery, including scoliosis, other spine deformity, cervical spine conditions, trauma, tumour and infection.</p> <p>Includes a broad exposure to all aspects of paediatric orthopaedics</p> <p><u>Core Components</u></p> <p>Clinical Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comprehensive exposure to a full spectrum of paediatric spine surgery • Dedicated clinics for specialty areas • Emergency care and trauma management • Regular participation in multidisciplinary clinics • Minimum case volume requirement: 200 surgical procedures annually <p>Educational Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly educational conferences and case discussions • Monthly journal clubs and research meetings • Regular radiology conferences 	

- Quarterly mortality and morbidity meetings
- Participation in registrar and medical student education

Research Requirements

- Completion of at least one major and two minor clinical research projects
- Presentation at national/international conference
- 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
 - Prospective outcome databases
 - Gait Laboratory

Rotation Structure

- 12 months starting August each year
- Speciality surgical service 75% of activity
- General surgical service 25% of activity
 - Upper Limb
 - Foot and ankle
 - Sports medicine
 - Trauma
 - Neuromuscular

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 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

Program Goals

Upon completion, fellows will be:

	1. Proficient in managing complex paediatric spinal conditions 2. Experienced in the latest surgical techniques 3. Capable of independent practice 4. Prepared for academic or private practice careers
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 Team Leader, Orthopaedic Department PA to Dr Michael Johnson – Director of Orthopaedics The Royal Children’s Hospital Flemington Road Parkville VIC 3052 Australia</p>