



Lower Limb Sports Knee Fellowship (WA1403)

Chief Supervisor: Dr Antony Liddell

Co-supervisor: Dr David Wysocki

Length of program: 6 Months, commencing February and August

Institutions: Perth Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine Centre
Hollywood Hospital
Bethesda Hospital
St John of God Midland
St John of God Mt Lawley
St John of God Subiaco
Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

Stipend: \$5,000 AUD per fortnight

Educational Goals:

The purpose of the Lower Limb Sports Knee Fellowship is to provide specialist training in knee and lower limb surgery to Orthopaedic Surgeons wishing to sub-specialise. Depending on the level of experience on entry to the fellowship program, it is anticipated that the Orthopaedic Fellow (on completion of 6 months training) would be proficient in the acute surgical management of knee and lower limb conditions including knee arthroscopy, osteotomy, reconstruction and replacement.

The fellowship offers significant exposure to:

- Total knee replacement
- Total hip replacement
- Arthroscopy
- ACL reconstruction
- Osteotomy

The fellow will be able to pursue their areas of interest within these boundaries. This would include clinic, surgery and research.

The Orthopaedic Fellow will gain exposure to the assessment of patients with knee, hip and lower limb problems that require both surgical management and non-surgical treatment. This will take place in a supervised environment to optimise the potential for learning. The Fellow will also attend regular clinical and radiology meetings as well as peer review meetings where complex cases will be discussed. The Fellow is required to have basic life support skills. As they are under the supervision of the Perth Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine surgeons at all times, advanced skills are not required.

The Fellow will be expected to balance the clinical responsibilities with participation in a research program. They will be expected to prepare scientific papers, which are able to be submitted for publishing to a peer review orthopaedic journal. As time constraints can sometimes limit the appropriate commencement of a trial especially with regards to obtaining ethics approval, some research projects may continue onto the next Fellow who continues the program and the research project.

Educational Qualifications/Requirements:

The ideal applicant for this fellowship will have already finished general orthopaedic training and will have had exposure to knee, hip and lower limb surgery, either during general training or in previous fellowships. To benefit from the fellowship, the trainee should already be fluent in the basics and wish to further explore a particular avenue or avenues in lower limb surgery.

The applicant must:

- Be eligible for registration with the Medical Board of Australia (AHPRA)
- Have the appropriate level of post graduate orthopaedic training
- Have demonstrated a high standard of clinical practice
- Have demonstrated professional integrity
- Have demonstrated the ability to work in a multidisciplinary team environment
- Have demonstrated commitment to quality improvement
- Have demonstrated ability to be adaptable to change
- Have the clinical experience appropriate to the year of training
- Have experience in scientific and/or clinical research
- Have knowledge of appropriate clinical standards
- Have knowledge of policies, protocols and procedures to ensure acceptable practices
- Have knowledge of lower limb surgical techniques
- Have evidence of research experience, including evidence of relevant published research
- Applicants must provide their own medical practice indemnity insurance.
- Must meet [AHPRA English proficiency](#) Requirements.

How to apply:

All applications in writing to fellowships@perthortho.com.au including cover letter, and three reference letters.