

Salford Royal Foundation Trust

The Greater Manchester Centre for Neurosciences

Senior Clinical Fellow, Neurosurgery

- Post:** Senior Clinical Fellow, Neurosurgery
Tenure of Post: 6 months
- Grade:** Registrar
- Job Purpose:**
1. To gain experience in all aspects of Neurosurgery
 2. To support the clinical service of Neurosurgery at Salford Royal including registrar on-call commitments
- Key Relationships:**
1. Consultant Neurosurgeons
 2. Clinical Director of Neurosurgery
 3. Other members of Neurosurgical medical, nursing and administrative support staff
 4. Consultant Spinal Surgeons

Job Summary

1. Introduction

The post of Neurosurgical Senior Clinical Fellow is designed as a 6 month post suitable for a neurosurgical trainee wishing to gain a broad general neurosurgery experience. It is envisaged as a post appropriate for someone prior to taking up a consultant post, in the UK or abroad, with an interest in General Neurosurgery.

The Greater Manchester Neuroscience Centre was established in May 2001 and serves a population of 3.2 million. There are 22 Consultant Neurosurgeons with sub-specialty leads in Oncology, Vascular, Paediatrics, Pituitary, Skull Base, Spine, and Functional.

2. The Job

2.1 Clinical

The successful candidate to the post of Senior Clinical Fellow will become part of a team of 24 Neurosurgical trainees. This includes neurosurgical specialist trainees on run through training (ST1-8), a Vascular Fellow, a Skull

Base Fellow, a Spinal Fellow, a Pituitary Fellow, an Oncology Fellow and 3 Research Fellows who join in the on-call rota. Also included in the 24 are more junior posts in what was the equivalent of old style SHO posts. The 22 Consultant Neurosurgeons are divided into firms with most trainees attached to each firm for a period of 6 months. Each firm has a mix of senior and junior trainees. Their commitments will include the care of the firm's patients on the ward, theatres and outpatient clinics. Also on the firm will be another neurosurgical registrar.

2.2 On Call

The on call rota involves 2 tiers of registrar, senior and junior, as well as a 3rd tier of a more junior trainee in the equivalent of the old style SHO position. The successful candidate would be expected to provide cover for the junior tier of this rota. The rota is on a 12hour shift basis. The rota is effectively a 1 in 10 rota with prospective cover

2.3 Audit

Audit is an essential part of a high quality Neurosurgical service. The department runs a number of databases, from which all aspects of our service can be audited..

2.4 Administration

The appointee will share in departmental administration both in terms of its management and running and the clinical correspondence. This will involve working with the secretaries to the above consultants.

2.5 Contractual Commitment

The appointee will have responsibility for the care of patients whilst on duty or on-call, to assist in the proper function of the service and to undertake administrative duties associated with the care of patients whilst on-call.

3. The Neurosciences Centre

3.1 The Centre

The amalgamation of adult clinical Neurosciences in Greater Manchester on the Salford Royal Foundation Trust campus was completed in May 2001. It is the result of a £12m capital investment and serves a population of 3.2 million people.

The facilities at Salford Royal Foundation Trust provide:

- 8 Neuro ICU Beds within 16 bedded General ICU
- 8 Neuro HDU Beds in stand-alone unit
- 65 Standard Care Neurosurgical Beds
- 5 Neurosurgical Theatres
- 2 Brain Lab & 1 Stealth Neuro-navigation Systems
- Biplane Neuro-angiography suite with 6 day all day anaesthetic provision
- Backup angiogram suite
- 9 Neuroradiologists including 3 Interventional neuroradiologists and a Professor of Neuroradiology
- Two 1.5T MRI Scanners including dedicated Neuro MRI Scanner
- 3rd 3T Research MRI Scanner
- 26 Acute Neurology Beds
- Acute Stroke Unit
- 20 bedded Acute Neurorehabilitation ward
- 16 bedded Programme Investigation Unit with 6 day chairs
- Neuro Outpatient Department
- Neurophysiology Department

4. The Trust

The Trust is in the City of Salford, part of the Greater Manchester conurbation consisting of the cities of Manchester, Salford and Stockport. Situated on the west side of Greater Manchester, it has approximately 600 in-patient and day case beds, supporting 56,000 episodes of care annually. It sees over 200,000 outpatient attendances and over 70,000 Accident & Emergency attendances per annum. It has a comprehensive range of clinical and diagnostic services.

Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust is one of the top performing hospitals in the country. The Trust has scored top marks in the Healthcare Commission's Annual Health Check – rated as 'excellent' for the quality of its services and the use of its resources. Salford Royal is also celebrating success with Salford Primary Care Trust. The PCT and the Trust are the only combination of PCT and local acute trust to have scored top marks anywhere in the country, and this is the second year they have claimed this achievement. Salford Royal has been rated in the top 20% of Trusts in the Healthcare Commission patient survey; it has the lowest waiting time ever and is one of just a handful of trusts to receive the highest patient safety accreditation rating from the NHS Litigation Authority. It is in the middle of a £200 million development that will greatly improve the environment for patients, visitors and staff.

The Trust is a University Teaching Hospital, being formally associated with the University of Manchester School of Medicine. There are teaching, research and administrative facilities for the Medical School on site at Salford Royal Foundation Trust.

Salford Royal Foundation Trust is the campus for approximately one quarter of the clinical academic activity of the University of Manchester.

5. Clinical Management and Medical Advisory Arrangements

A Management Board of Directors comprises of 6 Executive Directors, including the Chief Executive, and 6 Non-Executive Directors, including the Chairman. Clinical Directorates are well established, supported by Directorate Managers and Lead Nurses and by Finance, Human Resources and Contracts Departments.

6. The Locality

Widely regarded as the second city of the United Kingdom, Manchester is a centre of the arts, media, higher education and commerce with a population of approximately 2.5 million.

There are hundreds of restaurants and bars in Manchester - you can eat at Michelin-starred restaurants as well as home-cooking cafés; you can sip cocktails in style at designer bars, or discover local beers in some of Manchester's traditional pubs.

Manchester's arts and cultural scene is diverse. When it comes to theatres in Manchester, there are many to choose from. By day, explore landmark galleries and museums, like Daniel Libeskind's Imperial War Museum North, The Museum of Science and Industry and Manchester Art Gallery. By night, take in a show at one of Manchester's many theatrical and concert venues, like the Royal Exchange, The Lowry or the Bridgewater Hall.

Outside of Manchester, The Peak District, Britain's first national park, established in 1951, is less than 1 hour away. People come from all over the world to find peace, tranquility and adventure, experiencing some of England's finest climbing, caving, walking and cycling.

The Lake District and North Wales are less than two hours away by car, and provide a wide range of outdoor activities.

London is a short step away, being easily reached in just over 2 hours by direct train.

Manchester International Airport is easily accessible and has excellent national and international connections.

7. Further Information

Interested candidates are invited to contact the following for further details and to arrange an informal visit to the hospital:

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Safeguarding

The Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. You will be expected to fulfill your mandatory safeguarding training at the level applicable to this role.

Electronic Patient Record

Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust uses an Electronic Patient Record (EPR). All Clinicians must use EPR as the primary patient record. It supports delivery of Safe, Clean and Personal patient care. Paper is used only for clinical record components (e.g. fluid charts) that do not at present have an EPR replacement.

The majority of clinical documentation is entered directly on the EPR including health issues, case histories and continuation notes, condition specific structured records and risk