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The Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh (RIE)

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Edinburgh Emergency Medicine, Royal infirmary Edinburgh

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We have a range of exciting posts available at the Emergency Department of the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh.

The Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh is the Major Trauma Centre for South East Scotland and is the busiest Emergency Department in Scotland and sees 135,000 new presentations per year.

Successful candidates will work as part of a large multi-disciplinary team on a full shift rota. Doctors work in teams with other fellows and trainees of all grades. You will be supported by our large Consultant team who are resident 18 hours/day. You will have the opportunity to assess and manage the full range of emergency presentations. There will be opportunities to participate in Resuscitation cases and perform a wide range of clinical procedures on a daily basis.

There are a number of posts available that would suit candidates interested in Quality Improvement, Simulation or Undergraduate teaching. This post is ideal for candidates who wish to pursue a career in Emergency Medicine or wish to have more general medical experience prior to entering specialty training.

We would also have the ability to support fellows to gain experience in related specialties, to discuss specific opportunities please get in touch.

For more information please contact: Dr Dave McKean, Clinical Director for Emergency Medicine Dave.McKean@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk or visit our website www.edinburghemergencymedicine.com

Please note that there will be a limited number of split posts (6 months in each department) available with Major Trauma. See page 4 for further information on the Major Trauma Service.

Major Trauma Service, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

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The Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh has been designated one of the four Major Trauma Centres in Scotland, representing the South East Scotland region. We are seeking to appoint passionate and highly motivated Major Trauma Fellows to support the Major Trauma service on the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh site.

It is open to all doctors who hold full/limited registration with the GMC and have successfully completed foundation year 2 training.

The post is appropriate for CT level trainees who wish to pursue a career in Emergency medicine, Anaesthesia, Orthopaedics, General surgery, Critical care, Neurosurgery, Thoracic Surgery, Vascular surgery, Plastic Surgery and other surgical specialities with an interest in the multiply injured patient and who wish to gain further experience in the management of Major Trauma patient in a busy Major Trauma Centre.

The post holder will work closely with the multi professional team to coordinate the pathway for the multiply injured patients. They will attend all trauma calls in the ED. They will perform ward rounds twice daily on the major trauma ward and also on the critical care wards and other areas as required. The Major trauma ward is a 12 bedded area with four level one beds. The fellow, alongside the nurse practitioners are responsible for patients on this ward. Overnight the fellow is part of the HAN team though is made available to attend all trauma calls and manage ward patients primarily. There is dedicated CPD time for QI and audit. There are opportunities to explore individual interests, including specialty interests and time in theatre.

Applicants will have the ability to think strategically and communicate effectively; they will demonstrate how they will work collaboratively, influencing decisions and outcomes, and be committed to improving care in a complex healthcare organisation.

The successful candidate will work with the Major Trauma Centre consultants, Advanced nurse practitioners, Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, specialty teams, Medicine of the Elderly teams and other clinicians to deliver and develop specialist service for Major Trauma patients presenting to the Major Trauma Centre.

For an informal discussion please contact Dr D Kerslake, Clinical Director, Major Trauma Centre, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh: Dean.Kerslake@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk

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Acute and General Medical Unit, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh

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The Acute Medical Unit is one of the busiest receiving units in the United Kingdom. There is an average medical take of 70 patients within a 24-hour period and we have a strong ethos to provide high quality, safe, person-centred care. One of the strengths of the unit is well integrated multidisciplinary working with early senior assessment, diagnosis and instigation of treatments to facilitate early discharge or prompt referral to the appropriate specialty. The unit has excellent daily input from the main medical specialties from the time of admission ensuring that approx 70% of patients are safely discharged within 48 hours.

There are two General Medicine wards with 36 beds each. They are staffed with a dedicated multidisciplinary team providing holistic care to a high standard with a strong focus on continuity and good communication, quality improvement and patient safety. The average length of stay is 5 days.

The Interface team works within the Emergency Department, led by a Consultant Acute Physician to provide assessment of GP referred patients within the 4-hour performance standard, with access to prompt diagnostics and extensive use of alternatives to admission.

We also run a busy ambulatory care service with excellent links to the Emergency Department, a well-established range of ambulatory care pathways and close links with other medical specialties.

The Department has a strong record of supporting fellows to use their development time in a variety of ways including learning about quality improvement methodology and completion of a relevant project within dedicated development time, or in delivery of Undergraduate teaching, and gaining a teaching qualification via the Clinical Education Programme.

The post is ideally suited to candidates with an interest in pursuing IMT or ACCS training, or those who wish to get wide and varied exposure to medical issues in the acute, ongoing care and ambulatory setting.

For more information please contact: Dr Johanne Simpson, Clinical Director for Acute and General Medicine: Johanne.simpson@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk or 0131 242 1410.

Gastroenterology and Liver Transplant, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh & Acute and General Medical Unit, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh

Available as: 12 months posts: 03 August 2022 - 01 August 2023

*Split Post (6 months in each service)

Six months of this post is based in Ward 205 and 206 Transplant with responsibilities for in-patients, day cases and out-patients with gastrointestinal or liver disease. There will be the opportunity for experience in the Scottish Liver Transplant Unit. Ward 205 is a 28 bedded ward which has both liver and luminal patients. Our junior doctors work in a team-based structure with 1 FY1 doctor, 1 FY2-IMT doctor and a specialist registrar on each team. There are extensive endoscopy lists including ERCP, EUS and therapeutic endoscopy. There is a full 24-hour, 7-day interventional radiology service available-including TIPSS, mesenteric embolisation, transjugular liver biopsy etc. The Transplant Unit provides a liver transplant and fulminant liver failure service for the whole of Scotland. It has 20 ward and 12 high dependency beds and incorporates both the Scottish Liver Transplant Unit, performing 100 liver transplants annually, and the regional renal transplant unit, performing 100 renal transplants (cadaveric, living related and living unrelated) annually. In addition, the unit cares for approximately 50 patients annually with acute (fulminant) liver failure. It is a multidisciplinary unit staffed by Hepatologists, Nephrologists, Transplant Surgeons, and Anaesthetists, Specialist nursing and related staff.

Clinical duties include the day to day care of patients in Wards 205 (the in-patient wards of GI/liver) as well as the Scottish Liver Transplant Unit. This will involve supervision of FY1 doctors and liaison with all members of MDT. Outpatient clinics would be available if the candidate is interested in participating. There will be evening and weekend shifts on wards 205 and 206 transplant and an out of hours commitment to HAN.

There are daily unit meetings including pathology, unit educational meeting, radiology, journal club and the weekly transplant assessment meeting.

The successful candidate would have the opportunity to participate in the organisation and delivery of the teaching to the Y4 medical students from the University of Edinburgh. Participation in the Clinical Educator Programme and Clinician Development programme is encouraged. Opportunities for QI projects are also available.

For more information please contact: Dr Carol Blair, Consultant Hepatologist carol.blair@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk

Please see page 5 for further information regarding the Acute and General Medical Unit, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh.

Medicine of the Elderly and Stroke Services, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh

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Applications are invited for these posts within the Royal Infirmary in Edinburgh offering clinical experience within Medicine of the Elderly (MoE) and Stroke services. The MoE experience will encompass a range of environments from MoE wards in the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh, which will provide you with a good grounding in geriatric medicine and MDT working, the Frailty Service in the Acute Medical Unit and liaison services including orthogeriatrics. There will also be rotation through rehabilitation wards in community hospitals Midlothian Community Hospital/ Liberton Findlay House. Within Stoke you will be part of the integrated stroke unit team and have opportunities to attend thrombolysis/thrombectomy calls.

These posts will give successful applicants the opportunity to experience acute geriatric medicine before committing to a programme of training through an internal medicine training application. Successful applicants will have the opportunity to develop their clinical and professional competence in a purposeful and supervised manner as an assist to overall CV development. Successful applicants will have equivalent of up to one half day per week developmental time which can be used in the following opportunities: to have quality improvement methodology training with a view to completing an improvement project; to enhance their teaching skills; or participate in a research project or training.

Regular teaching is available for all staff to develop skills in MoE and Stroke. NHS Lothian wide teaching also takes place once a week to develop broader skills. There are also multiple opportunities to deliver teaching to medical students and junior staff as well as to gain a qualification in education through the Clinical Educator Programme.

The successful applicants will all be allocated educational supervisors and have the opportunity of an annual appraisal.

There is a commitment to Hospital at Night and late shifts and weekend working and this will be a banded post.

For more information please contact: Dr Emma Reynish, Clinical Director,
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Trauma and Orthopaedic Department, Royal infirmary Edinburgh

Available as: 12 months posts: 03 August 2022 - 01 August 2023

The successful candidates will be working alongside the orthopaedic specialty trainee doctors at a level entirely equivalent to ST1. The role is for one year during which time the fellow will spend 6 months each connected to two separate consultant teams. They will be supported within that team by a senior tier orthopaedic trainee and their consultant(s).

The fellows' roles and teaching will exactly match those of the ST doctors and will involve reviewing and admitting orthopaedic trauma patients via A&E, looking after orthopaedic inpatients for their team, attending theatre sessions and clinics. On call and night shifts are on a 1 in 10 to 1 in 12 basis and varies a little depending on trainee availabilities.

The department makes a special effort to involve CDFs in all departmental activities and no distinction is made between CDFs and the junior STs, ensuring that CDFs gain maximal exposure to the generality of orthopaedics and in particular to orthopaedic trauma care. CDFs are encouraged to attend their full teaching schedule.

CDFs will be encouraged to take part in research and audits, and our department is renowned for its high volumes of quality research opportunities – many previous CDFs have found this an excellent spring board for developing their experience and CVs for acquiring specialist training posts both within and outside orthopaedics, although most of our previous candidates have gone onto a career in orthopaedic surgery.

There will also be an opportunity to attend the annually held Edinburgh International Trauma Symposium and Instructional course (www.trauma.co.uk/instructional-course) free of charge.

By the end of their attachment we would expect CDFs to have a good understanding of orthopaedic emergencies and how to look after them, a reasonable knowledge of major trauma care, some good research undertaken and to have started to gain confidence in the basics of surgical and orthopaedic technical skills.

For more information please contact: Erin Wilson at erin.wilson@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk (medical secretary to Mr Anish Amin Trauma and Orthopaedic Consultant)

Respiratory Medicine, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh

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This would be an exciting post with a negotiable job plan to develop skills and experience in respiratory medicine in the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh.

The post duties would entail:

***Ward cover:** In a 46 bedded ward with opportunity to develop experience in dealing with management of complex respiratory cases on the ward, delivering NIV (BiPAP and CPAP), pleural procedures, management of acute respiratory emergencies and multidisciplinary management of patients on a ward setting.

***outpatient skills:** we run clinics focussing around COPD, asthma, lung cancer, atypical infections (TB and Fungal infections), interstitial lung diseases amongst others. This could be negotiated into the weekly duties.

***Respiratory ambulatory clinic:** we would expect the successful candidate to be part of this exciting project, with a view to convert unscheduled respiratory visits to ED to scheduled ones (runs Monday to Friday in conjunction with the respiratory nurses and the respiratory on call registrar).

***Educational opportunities:** take part in the weekly departmental educational meetings including the M&M meetings amongst other ward-based teaching opportunities.

***QI projects:** successful candidate would be encouraged to partake in a QI project of their choice in a subspecialty area of respiratory medicine. RIE Respiratory Departmental has a very strong profile of delivering to some world class research in conjunction with the University of Edinburgh and this post can help the successful candidate explore ideas in clinical and translational research in Respiratory Medicine.

***On calls:** be based on ward 204 for some weekends (9 am-5 pm) and occasional HAN cover.

Overall the post duties are negotiable to help the successful candidate further hone their area of interest in Respiratory Medicine.

For more information please contact: Mrs Julie Gibson Moffat, Clinical Service Manager on 0131 242 1860 or at Julie.g.gibson@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk

Department of Medical Microbiology, Royal infirmary Edinburgh

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Within the department and following a 3-month general laboratory induction, the Clinical Fellow will work as part of the trainees rota. The clinical responsibilities of the fellow will mirror those of existing trainees. Due to the high volume of request for infection advice, the fellows will rapidly gain considerable experience in managing infection and prevention, to diagnosis and treatment of cases ranging from primary care to critical care. The fellow will have dedicated development time. The department offers ample opportunities to undertake quality improvement audits in line with department goals, deliver teaching to medical undergraduates from the University of Edinburgh, participate in research projects, publish papers and attend courses. The placement is particularly suited to fellows looking to undertake Specialist Training (ST) in combined Infection training in Microbiology and Infectious Diseases.

For more information please contact: Dr Pota Kalima, Consultant Microbiologist;
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Cardiothoracic Intensive Care Unit, Royal Infirmary Edinburgh

Available as: 6 months posts: 03 August 2022 – 31 January 2023

The Royal Infirmary Edinburgh Cardiothoracic ICU department provides mixed level of care (level 2/3) to the cardiothoracic patients in the intensive care and high dependency units. The workload includes a mix of patients who undergo elective, urgent or emergency cardiac or thoracic operations and patients admitted with cardiothoracic trauma reflecting the acute nature of the hospital which is one of the four Major Trauma Centres in Scotland.

Within the department, the Clinical Fellows will work as part of the cardiac ICU team (consultant cardiothoracic anaesthetist, consultant cardiothoracic surgeon, surgical registrar/specialty doctor, Foundation Year 2 doctor). The team works closely in order to provide the best available treatment for our patients.

Successful candidates will be expected to work in cardiothoracic ICU and HDU. They can expect to become proficient in managing postoperative cardiac and thoracic patients (including management of mechanical ventilation, circulatory support with inotropes/vassopressors, invasive haemodynamic monitoring and its interpretation, managing acutely ill and deteriorating cardiothoracic patients).

They will have the opportunity to become familiar with a wide variety of practical procedures including insertion of invasive lines (arterial, central venous or vascular access for continuous renal replacement therapy), regional anaesthesia in thoracic trauma, echocardiography (TTE, TOE), chest ultrasound and chest drain insertion, intra-aortic balloon pump, ECMO, cardiac ALS.

They will be provided with a number of educational opportunities including daily consultant ward rounds, monthly morbidity and mortality meetings, and weekly teaching sessions. The department offers opportunities in the areas of quality improvement audits, research projects and participation in courses.

The post is appropriate for CT level trainees who wish to pursue a career in anaesthesia, critical care and cardiothoracic surgery.

For an informal discussion please contact Mr Renzo Pessotto on 0131 242 3908 or at renzo.pessotto@nhslothian.scot.nhs.uk