**NHS AYRSHIRE AND ARRAN**

**UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL AYR**

**CLINICAL TEACHING AND RESEARCH FELLOW**

**IN ADVANCED LAPARASCOPIC AND BARIATRIC SURGERY**

**Department of Surgery**

**(Specialty Registrar equivalent)**

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic suitably experienced and qualified Clinical Teaching & Research Fellow to assist in delivery of Undergraduate teaching within the hospital. It is anticipated that around 16 hours per week will be devoted to teaching activities. Teaching will be based within the Department of Surgery and will focus on teaching Medical Students who rotate to University Hospital Ayr from the University of Glasgow. Commencing 2nd August 2023 for 1-2 years, you will also be expected to undertake Clinical Research and/or Audit projects in Ayrshire in addition to studying for a further qualification in Medical Education.

The postholder will be required to undertake clinical duties within the Department of Surgery, which will account for approximately 16 hours per week. On-call is not a current requirement for this post.  Should this change in the future, it will be discussed with the successful candidate, who would be suitably experienced and qualified to participate at a middle-grade level.  Ad hoc on-call sessions may be available on an ongoing basis which would be paid national locum rates. Excellent communication skills and General Surgical experience are essential.

The post will offer:

1. Opportunity to build an excellent Portfolio for those who are intending to apply for National Training Number
2. Ample opportunity to enhance your experience in basic and advanced laparoscopy
3. Access to laparoscopic simulators
4. Candidates encouraged to obtain MRes in Bariatric surgery and Laparoscopy
5. Opportunity to publish papers and audits under direct guidance of experienced consultants
6. Participation in the Teaching activities in the department
7. Participation in clinical activities and one to one teaching in theatre

Candidates must hold Full GMC Registration with a current Licence to Practice. Possession of MRCS is preferable but not essential. Please note that this post does not carry educational approval by the Postgraduate Dean.

Membership of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme is a condition of this post and the successful applicant will require to join the scheme prior to appointment.

Please direct enquiries toMr Majid Ali, Consultant Laparascopic and Bariatric Surgeon, University Hospital Ayr, Email: [Abdulmajid.Ali@aapct.scot.nhs.uk](#) or Dr Derek McLaughlan, Asst Director of Medcial Education Email: derek.mclaughlan@aapct.scot.nhs.uk

For further informaton including job description and how to apply please visit

[https://apply.jobs.scot.nhs.uk/vacancies.aspx](#).

You should also upload a copy of your CV and evidence of GMC Registration.

Closing date for applications: 31st March 2023.

JOB DESCRIPTION

CLINICAL RESEARCH & TEACHING FELLOW

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Introduction

The Education department at NHS Ayrshire and Arran seek to appoint an enthusiastic individual to assist in delivery of undergraduate and postgraduate teaching within NHS Ayrshire. Commencing 2nd August 2023 teaching and clinical duties will primarily be based in the University Hospital Ayr although the post holder may be based at University Hospital Crosshouse for clinical duties. This post would ideally suit a medical or surgical trainee seeking out of programme experience in medical education and clinical research.

It is anticipated that up to 4 sessions per week will be devoted to teaching activities (worked flexibly). Teaching will be based within the education centre at University Hospital Ayr, at the bedside and will focus on teaching medical students who rotate to Ayr Hospital, mostly from Glasgow University. A regular contribution to the foundation year teaching programme (F1 and F2) will also be expected.

University Hospital Ayr is actively involved in teaching medical undergraduates in all years of the Glasgow undergraduate curriculum. It is envisaged that the bulk of teaching will be in the clinical setting with an emphasis on history taking and clinical examination skills and in particular, the successful candidate will be responsible for organising and delivering bedside teaching to 3rd year medical students.

Specific courses will be arranged for the successful appointee to enable them to participate as an OSCE examiner in the 2nd MB final exams which are hosted annually at Crosshouse. In addition the successful candidate will play a key role in the development and delivery of final year OSCE examinations to be performed at University Hospital Ayr. The appointee will also be expected to enrol for a higher teaching qualification (eg. Certificate in Medical Education) and funding will be available to assist in this respect. Honorary clinical lecturer status will be awarded by the University of Glasgow.

The successful appointee will also be encouraged to undertake clinical research and/or audit projects in Ayrshire. It is anticipated that around 2-3 sessions per week (to be worked flexibly), could be devoted to research and audit activities. The research component of the post will be tailored to the particular interests of the appointee. Successful candidate is encouraged to undertake MRes in Bariatrics & Laparoscopy

Participation in the development of a novel web based educational tool, already under development in association with NHS Education for Scotland and/or educational research will be encouraged. The successful candidate will be trained in good clinical practice (GCP).

This post has a commitment to clinical duties within University Hospital Ayr or Crosshouse (anticipated approximately 8 to 16 hours per week, dependent on teaching commitments, worked flexibly). The development of the clinical component of this appointment can be negotiated to best suit the interests of the successful candidate and opportunities within the medical and surgical as well as accident and emergency department could be explored. Clinical duties will be tailored to match the training needs of the successful candidate, with the intention of developing the candidates understanding and clinical skills within the chosen directorate, to support an application for specialist training in their chosen field.

Educational Aims of Post

* Develop expertise in delivering undergraduate and postgraduate education
* Gain a postgraduate qualification in medical education (eg, certificate or diploma in medical education)
* Gain experience in teaching techniques (OSCE, small group, bedside)
* To gain experience in research and related activities (gaining ethical approval for research, research methodology, statistics, basic science, publishing)

Essential/Desirable Attributes of Appointee

* Completion of FY2 training
* Excellent communication skills
* Interest in undergraduate and postgraduate education

Tenure of Post

1 year in the first instance. A second year may be offered depending upon satisfactory progress.

Salary Scale

At the appropriate point on the StR salary scale

Resources

University Hospitals Crosshouse and Ayr have modern education centres which boast extensive libraries with computer clusters, dedicated rooms for undergraduate and postgraduate teaching, meeting facilities and lecture theatres with state of the art projection facilities.

Duties and Responsibilities

* Delivery of undergraduate and postgraduate teaching under the direction of the Director of Medical Education and the associated educational leads at University Hospital Ayr and Crosshouse
* Undertake research and audit activity
* Encouraged to undertake MRes with University of West of Scotland.

Further Information

Applicants wishing further information about the post are invited to contact Mr Majid Ali,

Consultant Laparascopic and Bariatric Surgeon, University Hospital Ayr

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