**NHS TAYSIDE**

# CLINICAL RESEARCH FELLOW IN VASCULAR SURGERY

Applications are invited for the post of Clinical Research Fellow in Vascular surgery for a period of 24 months commencing 6th August 2025 in Ninewells Hospital, Dundee. The appointee(s) will be expected to perform at a level equivalent to that of ST3 or above. They will be supervised by a consultant at all times.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

The East of Scotland Vascular Network (ESVN) currently provides a tertiary vascular service to NHS Tayside and NHS Fife. This network services a population approaching 900,000. The tertiary vascular service is delivered on two main hospital sites: Ninewells Hospital, Dundee and Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy while also providing vascular support to spoke hospitals including Perth Royal Infirmary, Stracathro Hospital and Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline. Dundee is Scotland's fourth largest city and is located on the northern bank of the River Tay and provides a mixture of traditional and modern living. The city and the surrounding area provide a wide choice of housing and schooling. Most leisure activities are available close by with particularly good facilities for hill-walking, climbing, ski-ing and golf. There are also regular theatre and musical performances and a number of contemporary arts galleries and events.

**2. THE HOSPITALS**

**NHS Tayside**

**Ninewells Hospital** provides all acute hospital services except transplantation and cardiothoracic surgery. The Surgical Directorate has 138 surgical beds. In addition, there are 10 surgical High Dependency beds. The vascular surgeons share access to the main theatre suite with its reception and recovery areas; there is also a 24 bed multidisciplinary day surgery ward with two dedicated theatres. There is an 8 bed intensive care unit. The University Department of Surgery and Molecular Oncology, the Departments of Pathology, Anaesthetics and Radiology share the same floor as the Surgery Directorate.

The ESVN operates a hub and spoke model with the main arterial/on call hub being Ninewells Hospital, Dundee with the spokes being Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy, Queen Margaret Hospital, Dunfermline and Perth Royal Infirmary.

**Perth Royal Infirmary** provides acute services for the major specialities including General Surgery for a population of 150,000.

**NHS Fife**

**Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy** is the main arterial spoke of our close network. On site coverage consists of two vascular surgeons supported by a staff grade surgeon. The Victoria Hospital provides elective coverage for the Fife population (all emergency work for the Network being undertaken in Ninewells), including outpatient clinics, one operating list/week for Tier 1 & 2 patients, intra hospital referrals as well as having support of regular interventional radiology sessions on site.

**3. THE POST**

1. **Job Title: Clinical Research Fellow in Vascular Surgery**

The appointee will be expected to perform at a level equivalent to that of a ST3 or above. The post will involve exposure to **emergency vascular surgery**. The post is based in Ninewells Hospital. The post holder will participate in full on-call duties for vascular surgery on (approx) a one in eight frequency that includes weekends/nights (on call shifts are from 08:00-21:00hr). The East of Scotland Vascular Network provides the full range of elective (aortic aneurysm repair open and complex aortic intervention, lower limb revascularisation, carotid surgery, trauma and vascular access services).

1. **Medical Staff in Vascular Surgery - Ninewells Hospital**

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| **Surgeon** | **Specialty** |
| Mr Flett | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Mr Guthrie | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Ms Kent | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Ms McBride | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Mr MacKenzie | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Ms Murphy | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Mr Nagy | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Mr Suttie | Vascular Surgery Consultant |
| Ms Semple | Vascular Surgery Consultant |

**c)** **Emergency Surgery**

All emergency vascular work for the network is undertaken on the Ninewells Site.

` There is 24 hour access to a staffed emergency theatre enabling most emergency surgical procedures to be dealt with promptly. There is a full 24/7 interventional radiology on call service. We provide an emergency EVAR service.

**d)** **Duty Arrangements**

The rotas are EWTD compliant. Staffing is expected to consist of 1 CST, 2 Vascular STs, 1 General Surgical ST, 2 Academic Research Fellow (including this post), 2 Clinical Fellow.

When the post holder is requested to provide cover on a locum basis outside his/her own job description in circumstances other than emergencies and unforeseen circumstances, the Trust will contract with him/her for that purpose at the standard rate in accordance with the Conditions of Service.

Locum payments following a period defined as an emergency or unforeseen circumstances will not be retrospect to cover the emergency etc., period.

**e)** **Emergencies & Unforeseen Circumstances**

The junior doctor accepts that he/she will also perform duties in occasional emergencies and unforeseen circumstances, at the request of the appropriate Consultant in consultation where practicable, with his/her colleagues both senior and junior. It has been agreed between the professions and the Department, that while juniors accept that they will perform such duties, it is stressed that additional commitments arising under this sub-section are exceptional and in particular that juniors should not be required to undertake work of this kind for prolonged periods or on a regular basis.

It is the responsibility of the Consultant(s) to determine whether a particular situation can be described as an emergency.

**4. CONDITIONS OF SERVICE.**

The terms and conditions of service applicable (including those relating to leave and sick pay) are set out in the Terms and Conditions of Service of Hospital Medical and Dental Staff (Scotland) and General Whitley Council as amended from time to time.

In accordance with the Social Security and Housing Benefits Act for the purposes of Statutory Sick Pay, the number of qualifying days shall be 7 per week.

**5. RESIDENTIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

This post is resident when on call for Monday through to Friday, with non resident status for Saturday and Sunday on call, with the post holder being within 15 miles and/or within 20 minutes of Ninewells and easily contactable for these non resident shifts.

**6. CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT**

Possession of a recognised medical qualification and full or appropriate limited registration with the General Medical Council is required. The post holder must also be a member of a recognised medical defence society or appropriately insured.

**7. FURTHER DETAILS AND PRELIMINARY VISITS**

Information on facilities in Tayside, the organisation of duties and other aspects of the appointment can be obtained from Mr Graeme Guthrie (Clinical Lead Vascular Surgery - 01382 660111), Mr Stuart Suttie (Clinical Director Surgery Vascular - 01382 660111).

**8. RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT**

All records created in the course of business of NHS Tayside are corporate records and are public records under the terms of Public Record (Scotland) Act 1937. This includes email messages and other electronic records. It is your responsibility to ensure that you keep appropriate records of your work in NHS Tayside and manage

those records in keeping with the NHS Taysidee Records Management Policy and with any guidance produced by NHS Tayside specific to your employment.