

position title: MS & Neuroimmunology Clinical Research Fellow
portfolio/service: Royal Melbourne Hospital /Neuroscience, Cancer & Infection Medicine
location: RMH City Campus
reports to: Head of MS Service
award: 09 HMO Registrars
classification: HM14 Medical Officer Year 1
date: Feb 2020-Feb 2021

Position Summary – MS and Neuroimmunology Clinical Research Fellow

Melbourne as a city is a hub of clinical excellence, research and innovation in the field of multiple sclerosis. It is an ideal setting for training future clinicians and leaders in the management of people with MS or related conditions.

Melbourne Health has subspecialty services focusing on MS and Neuroimmunological disorders. In 2019/20 these services have agreed to offer a Clinical Fellowship. The Fellow will be an Australian or overseas trained neurology trainee who has completed core years of neurology training. The Fellow will report to Professor Trevor Kilpatrick and Associate Professor Tomas Kalincik, co-heads of the MS Unit.

The Fellow will play an integral role in service delivery within the MS Unit and will liaise closely with the Unit's consultant staff and nurses, as well as with the nursing staff assigned to the Ambulatory Care Unit where immunomodulatory therapy is delivered. The Fellow will also interact closely with resident medical staff assigned to the MS Unit and will have a supervisory role in guiding the activities of the JMOs. The Fellow will also play an integral role in the teaching and mentoring of junior medical staff within the Department of Neurology including interns, residents and registrars, with particular reference to up-skilling of those staff in the diagnosis and management of MS and of related conditions.

There is no after-hours commitment pertaining to this position.

Specific key performance indicators for the position will include:

1. To play a key role in the coordination of patient care (including arranging investigations, medication changes, and oversight of the safety of immunomodulatory therapy) on behalf of the MS Unit. Key responsibilities include
 - a) attendance at the weekly MS and Neuroimmunology Outpatient Clinic
 - b) attendance at the weekly Neuro-ophthalmology clinic
 - c) participation in the provision of care in the Day Infusion Centre
 - d) participation in General Neurology Ambulatory Service
2. Where appropriate, attendance and participation in the weekly Neurology Grand Rounds and Clinical Neuroscience
3. Attendance at the weekly Neurology audit meeting
4. Participation in the assessment of patients enrolled in MS oriented clinical trials

Scoping and development of a clinically oriented investigator-driven research study under the supervision of the MS Unit consultants would also be supported/encouraged.

Knowledge & Experience required to fulfil this position

Selection Criteria:

- Essential:
 - Australian or overseas trained Neurology Trainee who has completed core years of Neurology training (or local equivalent).
 - Registration with Australian Health Practitioners Regulation Authority.
 - Well developed interpersonal skills and demonstrated ability to participate in and enhance the activities of clinical teams in multidisciplinary, collaborative care.
 - Track record in pursuit of clinical excellence.

- Desirable:
 - Post graduate research qualification – MD, PhD or equivalent.
 - Experience in clinical research.

Remuneration

\$75,000 with the potential to salary package.

Applications including letter of intent, curriculum vitae and academic transcript with names of three potential referees should be forwarded to:

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Closing Date: 9th June, 2019