

COOL Clinical Fellowships in Children's Orthopaedics

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Surgical Training Opportunities:

Applications are now open for 18 six-month fellowships, with the first placements due to start January 2013.

The COSECSA Oxford Orthopaedic Link (COOL) Project is a multi-country partnership programme between the **University of Oxford** and the **College of Surgeons of East Central and Southern Africa (COSECSA)**, enabling multi-level training in trauma and orthopaedics in East, Central and Southern Africa. During 2013-2014, **18 six-month clinical fellowships** are available for surgeons to gain specialised training in paediatric orthopaedics. In conjunction with COSECSA and the Nuffield Department of Orthopaedics, Rheumatology and Musculoskeletal Sciences (NDORMS) at the University of Oxford, the fellowships will be run by four participating orthopaedic teaching hospitals in the region:

- Beit CURE International Hospital Malawi
- AIC-CURE International Children's Hospital of Kenya
- CURE Ethiopia Children's Hospital (CECH)
- Beit CURE Hospital of Zambia

Training Outcomes:

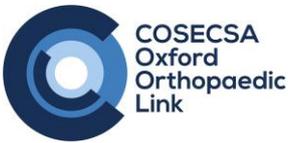
Trainees will take part in the day to day work of the hospital including on call work, teaching, and research. They will be allocated an educational supervisor who will oversee their 6 month fellowship. They will use the curriculum of COSECSA and will be expected to use the COSECSA logbook and trainee / training post assessment forms. At the beginning of their fellowships the trainee will spend some time with the supervisor working out what they would like to achieve in the 6 month period in terms of diagnoses seen and operations learned. We cannot promise that everything desired will be achieved but good planning will make sure that opportunities are not wasted.

Assessment:

Trainees will be required to complete and keep detailed records of their training e.g. logbooks and clinical skills assessment documentation. Trainees may be visited during or after their placement for the purposes of monitoring and evaluating the training. Each trainee will receive a certificate upon successful completion of their training.

Employment:

Each trainee will receive a reasonable salary to cover living costs for a maximum placement period of six months. Salary and duration of placement will vary according to each hospital and will be agreed prior to each placement. Each trainee will be employed directly by the participating hospital for the duration of the placement. (The terms and conditions and other details of each placement may vary according to each hospital's policies and standard operating procedures.)



Other expenses:

Trainees may apply for reimbursement of travel expenses associated with relocation for their placement (if applicable), which will be considered on a case by case basis. Some additional surgical study materials will also be provided.

Eligibility:

Applications are welcomed from surgeons at any stage in their career from any of the 9 COSECSA countries (Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Uganda, Zimbabwe and Zambia), but priority will be given to COSECSA trainees.

How to apply:

Please email to Grace Le at cool@ndorms.ox.ac.uk the following documents:

- A completed attached application form (available from <http://www.ndorms.ox.ac.uk/cool.php> or on request from cool@ndorms.ox.ac.uk.)
- A passport-style photograph
- A short CV (max 3 pages)
- Two references, including a reference from one of your COSECSA country representatives

For further information and all enquiries, please contact Grace Le at cool@ndorms.ox.ac.uk.

Thank you for your interest in the COOL project.

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