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POSITION DETAILS

Position Title: Pain Medicine Fellow (Practice Development Year)

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Supervisor of Training: Dr Willem Volschenk MBCHB, FCA (SA) FANZCA, FFPANZCA

Award: Contract

Hours of Work: Between 7am and 6pm Daily, Schedule to be advised

Locations: Hunter Pain Specialists 91 Chatham Street Broadmeadow NSW 2292
Hunter Pain Specialists Suite 101, 1 Bryant Drive Tuggerah NSW 2259

Hospitals:

Hamilton Day Surgery Centre,
76 Jenner Parade Hamilton
NSW 2303

Lingard Private Hospital
Merewether Street
Merewether NSW 2290

Research Facility:

Genesis Research Services
220 Denison Street
Broadmeadow NSW 2292

Overview

To engage a Trainee Fellow to complete their Practice Development Year.

Duties will include:

- Managing patients in a private clinic setting
- Completing and documenting consultations,
- Referrals to allied health,
- Referral for admission for Procedures and follow up.
- Requirement to participate in research within our research division, Genesis Research Services.

Applicant

The applicant would need to be or have:

- Registered as a medical practitioner with the Australian Health Practitioners Registration Agency (APRHA)
- Registered as a Trainee with Faculty of Pain Medicine
- Intending to complete Fellowship of the Faculty of Pain Medicine by Qualification, Training and Examination
- Successful completion of the Foundation Faculty of Pain Medicine Exam prior to commencement of training so training time is accredited.

Current rights to access a Medicare provider number and claim Medicare rebates in the Newcastle Area.

Clinical

Our clinic does not accept referrals for patients under the age of 16.

Demographics –

- Private patients with health insurance,
- Department of Veterans Affairs patients direct billed,
- Workers compensation approved patients and,
- 1.57% uninsured pay consultation fee and procedure fees.

The trainee is required to exercise their clinical judgement with regards to procedures, imaging, x rays, MRI's, blood tests etc that are ordered.

Demonstrated ability to work in a Multidisciplinary Team

Demonstrated ability or capability to learn and take direction to perform a range of pain management procedures.

Maintain standards required by Faculty of Pain Medicine/Australian New Zealand College of Anaesthetists continuing professional development including Emergency procedures updates

Research

The trainee is required to participate in pain management clinical trials through our research facility, Genesis Research Services in the capacity of Clinical Lead with the assistance of the research team

Orientation

2 Week program

Other responsibilities

In addition to the core competency standards, the trainee is expected to comply with legislative, policy/protocol requirements as they relate to:

- Hunter Pain Specialists Performance Management Policy
- Hunter Pain Specialists Policies and Procedure Manual
- Occupational, health and safety requirements
- The Practice's Code of Conduct.
- The Practice's Core Values.

Key internal and external relationships

Key Internal Relationships

The doctor is expected to provide a comprehensive hand over to nursing staff and accounts staff on return from theatre advising them of item numbers and any complications.

The doctor is to attend Continuing Medical Education held in the practice on 1st Tuesday of each month and take a turn in presenting a topic.

External Relationships

The doctor is to represent Hunter Pain Specialists at education events

The doctor is to maintain a professional relationship with representatives of device companies with whom we associate

The doctor is to maintain a professional relationship with hospitals used by our service and all allied health practitioners

Challenges/problem solving

- Patients requesting inappropriate medications
- Completing dictations to be typed in a timely manner
- Time management during consultations and procedures

Performance monitoring

The trainee is responsible for

- Participating in ongoing review of their clinical practice as per guidelines;
- Participating in continuing medical education and professional development as covered by the supervision arrangements stipulated by the Faculty of Pain Medicine; and
- Maintaining his/her professional competence.

Local background and environment

The practice is located in Broadmeadow in the city of Newcastle NSW.

Newcastle is 162km north of Sydney (capital of NSW) and has a population of 370,000.

Newcastle is part of the greater Hunter Valley and Lake Macquarie region with a population of over 620,000 people.

Newcastle is serviced by two private pain clinics and one public hospital pain clinic at John Hunter Hospital

Hunter Pain Specialists offers patients the following facilities:

- Consultations with Pain Management Physicians at:
 - Broadmeadow
 - Tuggerah Central Coast
 - Singleton Hunter Valley
- Experienced pain management nurses
- Participation in pain research through Genesis Research Services
- Day Surgery Facilities: Hamilton Day Surgery, 76 Jenner Pde Hamilton
- Pain Management Program, Innervate Pain Management on site
- Psychology services at Broadmeadow and Tuggerah office
- Psychiatrist, Dr Pek Ang Broadmeadow
- WorkPlace Physiotherapy (Physiotherapy, Exercise Physiology) trained and accredited in the care of pain patients, Broadmeadow and Tuggerah

Newcastle is a major centre for health delivery for regional NSW and therefore our clinic offers telehealth for those in remote and regional areas.

Contact details for enquiries about the position

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Applications Close Monday 31st August 2020

Start Date Monday 11th January 2021