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About General Surgery Service Post

Introduction

The position is available to suitable Trainee Medical Officers (TMO) with ambitions to a career in Surgery, especially General Surgery. We provide supervision to enable training and experience appropriate to the individual. The Dept. of Surgery at Modbury provides a program of regular teaching and clinical meetings. This is a 12 month attachment to the general surgical unit. The responsibilities may include working with the visiting Urologist and Plastic surgeon as well. There are commitments to elective surgery including outpatients, ward work and theatre. The roster will involve being “on call” in rotation with the other surgical staff. This includes attending A+E for consultation regarding acute surgical presentations and emergencies affecting in-patients.

Key dates

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<th>Applications open:</th>
<th>Monday 10 June 2019</th>
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<td>Application close:</td>
<td>Monday 1 July 2019 (close at midnight)</td>
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<td>Referee reports close:</td>
<td>Monday 15 July 2019</td>
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<td>Shortlisting commences:</td>
<td>Monday 29 July 2019</td>
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<td>Interviews:</td>
<td>TBA</td>
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<td>Round 1 results available to applicants:</td>
<td>Thursday 19 September (1st preference matches only)</td>
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<td>Round 1 results available to applicants (excluding general training):</td>
<td>Thursday 26 September (2nd or higher preference matches).</td>
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<td>Round 3 results available to applicants (excluding general training):</td>
<td>Thursday 3 October (3rd or higher preference matches)</td>
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<td>Round 4 onwards (including general training):</td>
<td>Thursday 10 October (4th or higher preference matches).</td>
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<td>Start date of employment:</td>
<td>Monday 3 February 2020</td>
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Number of positions across LHNs

There are likely to be four positions. The team of registrars in general surgery at Modbury consists of an accredited surgical trainee, a senior registrar and then four unaccredited TMO/registrars who will be appointed as per this opportunity.
## About NALHN

Modbury Hospital is one of the two hospital sites that together comprise NALHN. The Department of Surgery at Modbury is primarily an elective surgical unit with a focus upon high throughput, low acuity surgery. Patients who present to the Modbury A&E may require assessment and initial management involving surgical staff at Modbury, but there are no admissions of acute surgical patients or emergency surgical procedures at Modbury.

## What you can expect from NALHN

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<th>What are the key outcomes of the program?</th>
<th>It is hoped that the year will provide an opportunity to increase a trainee doctor’s skill and experience with managing surgical patients of a lower acuity and complexity and so prepare for more advanced and specialised training.</th>
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<td>Are contracts renewed every 12 months?</td>
<td>The appointment is for 12 months. It is not unprecedented for a registrar to seek and be appointed for a second year.</td>
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<td>What are the hours of work and overtime?</td>
<td>The current roster involves weekday work 0730 to 1700. When “on call” the hours are 1200 (morning off) to 2200. Overnight remote call and on call again 0730 until 1200. The on-call frequency is approximately 1 in 5. Weekend call is remote call.</td>
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<td>What education is provided?</td>
<td>There are regular departmental meetings with teaching included. There are also registrar lead tutorials and the TMO/students are encouraged to attend. Consultant and Senior registrar supervision/ teach occurs informally throughout the working week.</td>
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<td>Indicate how the supervision will be provided, will this vary from rotation to rotation?</td>
<td>Supervision is appropriate to the experience and training of the individual registrar. Consultant supervision is provided in outpatients and theatre. Support is always available.</td>
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<td>Question</td>
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<td>What other supports is provided?</td>
<td>Modbury staff have access to HR services, Medical Education etc</td>
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<td>Will the TMO supervise interns/others in their role?</td>
<td>There are a team of TMOs who attend to the ward patients under supervision which is in part provided by the TMO/registrar group.</td>
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<td>What pathways are there after the year is completed?</td>
<td>Many previous registrars in this position have successfully applied for accredited surgical training.</td>
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Selection into General Surgery Service positions

About the selection panel

The selection panel consists of the general surgical consultants guided by the head of Surgery at Modbury Hospital.

Eligibility

To be eligible the applicant must have:

- Completed a Medical Degree
- Have General Medical Registration with AHPRA
- Have completed one intern year
- Be available for a 12-month full-time contract commencing on the February start date
- The position is offered as full-time.

Skills and knowledge required for the role

An interest and desire to proceed to a career in Surgery are desirable. Some post intern surgical experience is desirable, but not essential.

Selection Process

Our approach to selection

Your application will be assessed by members of the panel in regard to short-listing, interviewing and ranking.

If your application is shortlisted you will be invited to attend an interview. Interviews will be face to face, and in some circumstances via teleconference (phone). Following interviews your application will be scored/ranked.

Entry into the program is competitive and we look for trainees who can demonstrate a desire to train at SA Health, have a good academic and clinical history, and are effective team players and communicators.

The selection process will involve assessing your:

- Curriculum Vitae,
- Cover letter
- Referee reports,
- Appropriate completion and submission of required documentation
- An interview if selected.
Your application

The application, including the covering letter needs to make clear the desire of the applicant to take advantage of the opportunity. We request that three references accompany the application and that the referees are able to be contacted for clarification/confirmation or the reference.

Curriculum vitae

A CV including details of Research, Personal Development, Academic and clinical achievements, and experience is requested.

Cover letter

We request a brief covering letter summarising the experience of the applicant and an understanding of their objectives and aims.

Other application questions

There will no mandatory question in the application sheet, just the cover letter.

Interview

Applicants will be notified by email whether they have/haven’t been shortlisted for interview by email.

The applicants will be interviewed by a panel.

Feedback can be requested via phone/email to the NALHN contact, Teagan Linke, who will request feedback from the chair of the panel.
Contacts

NALHN

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Role Description

View Role Description here

Still got questions?

Some websites that may assist you:

SA Health Salaried Medical Officers Enterprise Agreement 2017 [here](#)
Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) registration standards [here](#)