

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME



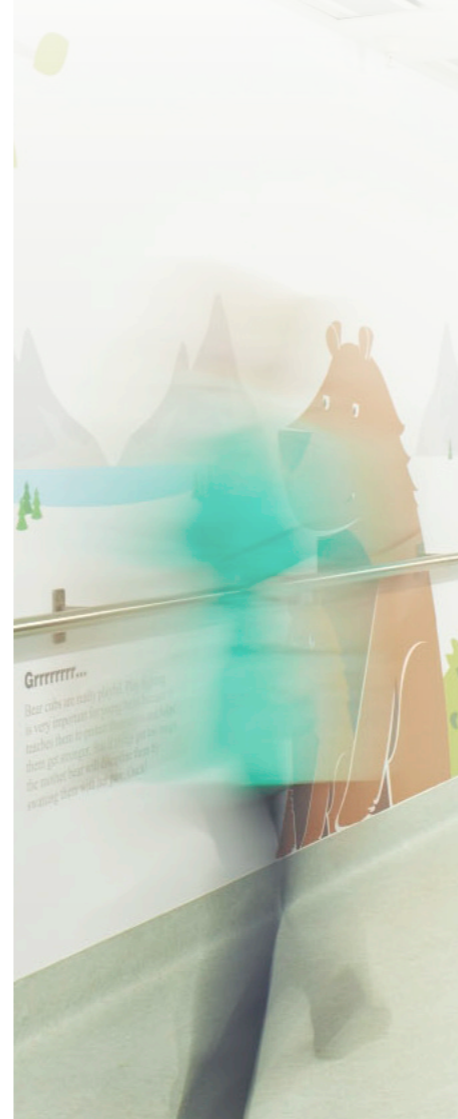
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Great Ormond Street
Hospital for Children

Learning Academy

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Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children in London is an international centre of excellence in paediatric care, globally recognised as one of the few world-class hospitals for children suffering from rare, complex, or multiple conditions.

Founded in 1852, GOSH is a globally renowned children’s hospital and the leading paediatric hospital in Europe, championing education, research, and innovation across more than 60 clinical specialties.

GOSH has the largest paediatric cardiac programme in the UK and is one of the largest centres for paediatric heart transplantation in the world. Additionally, together with our partner, University College London Hospital, GOSH is one of the largest paediatric / adolescent oncology centres in Europe.

The GOSH Learning Academy (GLA) attracts clinical and non-clinical specialists across a range of fields, who share their experience and expertise with our learners through outstanding targeted educational programmes. We harness the potential of new and

emerging technology in our teaching, and partner with other institutions to share and build skills and insight.

The impact of education is clear, with a proven relationship between education and improved patient outcomes. The aim of the GOSH Learning Academy is to ensure all healthcare professionals, receive continual support, education, and specialist training to enhance their skills at every stage of their career in the field of paediatric healthcare.

People come from across the UK and around the world to access education opportunities provided by the GOSH Learning Academy’s multi-disciplinary teams. This includes simulation-based training, clinical skills, leadership development, apprenticeships, and undergraduate and postgraduate academic courses.

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

Designed for international doctors, our International Medical Fellowship Programme offers tailored training in a wide range of paediatric medical, surgical, and diagnostic specialties.

You will be fully embedded within our clinical teams actively participating in the delivery of pioneering clinical care and research under the guidance of senior staff. The programme is typically delivered over a period of one or two years.

Our programme aims to:

- Elevate and enrich your clinical training and experience.
- Provide access to structured training in world-leading specialist clinical environments.
- Drive improvements and deliver long-term impact on paediatric and child health services in your home country.

Your programme will be tailored to your needs with the creation of a learning plan that is mapped to an appropriate Royal College curriculum, further supporting your development.

The dedicated International Education Team will assist you at every step of the pre-arrival process, ensuring a smooth transition into your fellowship. This includes advice on all steps of the process including visa application, General Medical Council (GMC) application, relocation to the UK and obtaining accommodation.

An induction exclusively designed for international doctors will help you acclimatise to working within GOSH and the wider National Health Service in the UK. We will also ensure that you are provided with the essential training to provide care safely and effectively.

At the end of your fellowship, you will become part of the community of GOSH Learning Academy Alumni, leaving with a professional network of paediatric healthcare experts, and with continued access to a curated range of free digital resources for two years, and free access to our annual conference.



CASE STUDY

“It was a great opportunity for me to join the International Medical Fellowship Programme and train in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit at GOSH. I have gained a lot of experience during my time working here. There are many operations and procedures that I have never seen and that was the most interesting part for me. I believe I can bring my gained knowledge and experience back to improve the quality of care for my patients and the system in my hospital back home in Thailand. Moreover, there is a lot of support here, including CICU supervisors and the International Education Team. I would recommend this program to everyone looking for training in a great and excellent centre.”

- Dr Rujira Buntharikpornpun
International Fellowship in Paediatric Cardiac Intensive Care

ELEVATING YOUR CAREER WITH AN INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

We are committed to providing our International Medical Fellows with an enriching experience that not only advances their medical careers but also meets the specific needs of their sponsoring organisation. During your interview, we will discuss your expectations and desired areas of focus to ensure we tailor a programme that is aligned with your goals.

WHY CHOOSE GOSH?

- **Customised learning plan**

As part of our onboarding process a dedicated member of our team will work with you to determine what you and your sponsoring organisation hope to achieve from the fellowship programme. Then, with the support of an educational supervisor, you will create an in-depth, structured learning plan that enables you to develop a wide range of transferrable clinical and non-clinical skills.

- **Expert supervision**

A clinical expert within your chosen specialty will be allocated as an educational supervisor to support and guide you throughout your fellowship. Our supervisors are accredited with the Academy of Medical Educators, ensuring the highest standards of mentorship are met.

- **Comprehensive training and assessment**

Your learning will be supported by a multi-professional team of clinical experts, clinical academics, and educationalists through the delivery of teaching and learning in practice. Throughout your fellowship, you will have access to an ePortfolio to record your activities and track your progress using capability-based assessment tools recognised nationally in medical training.

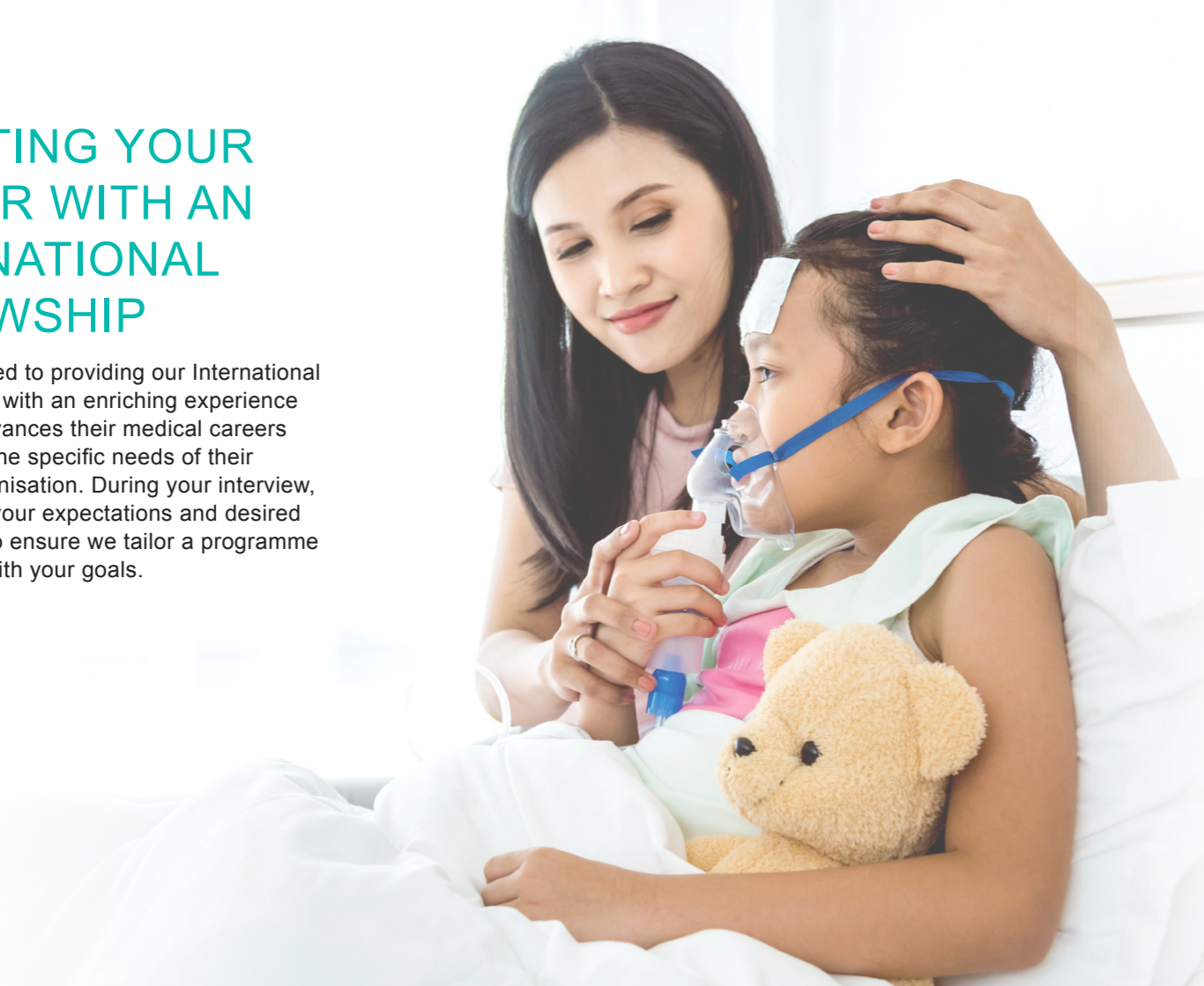
- **Our expertise in delivering NHS commissioned training**

We have many years of experience in delivering UK medical and surgical training commissioned by NHS England aligned with professional and specialty curricula. Our learning outcomes are mapped against the GMC Generic Professional Framework, ensuring comprehensive professional development.

- **Diverse rotations and hands-on experience**

You will rotate through three to four different areas within your chosen specialty, gaining a wide variety of experiences and learning from colleagues across various disciplines and career stages. Your clinical practice will include:

- Direct participation in both in-patient and out-patient services
- Completion of procedures and practical skills
- Engagement in multi-disciplinary team meetings
- Participation in grand rounds and journal clubs





CASE STUDY

“My Fellowship at GOSH has been a defining chapter in my medical career. The combination of hands-on experience, education and teamwork has left an indelible mark on my professional journey. The Neurology team’s brilliance and cooperation created a conducive learning environment. Their collaboration elevated my learning experience and instilled a sense of belonging to a community truly passionate about improving young patient’s lives.

My supervisors helped me to tailor my fellowship to align with my learning objectives and career aspirations. Their guidance played a pivotal role in shaping the trajectory of my fellowship and I am immensely grateful for their mentorship. I worked in clinical setting and ward environment which allowed me to see a diverse range of patients which further enhanced my skills. I was able to grow as a medical professional and regular education was integral to this and exposed me to latest advancements and research in the field. I am immensely grateful for the knowledge skills and connections I have gained and look forward to applying them in my practice.”

- Sarah Alenezi

*International Fellowship in Pediatric Neurology and
International Fellowship in Epilepsy and EEG*



OUR SPECIALITIES

GOSH provides more than 67 specialised services, the widest range at any one site in the UK.

The list below is not exhaustive, and if the speciality you are interested in is not listed, please contact our team to discuss your requirements.



Body, Bones and Mind

Gastroenterology
Nephrology



Blood, Cells and Cancer

Haematology
Immunology
Infectious Diseases
Oncology
Rheumatology



Brain

Endocrinology
Neurology
Neuromuscular



Core Clinical Services

Anaesthetics
Genetics
Plastic Surgery



Heart and Lung

Cardiology
Cardiac Intensive Care
Neonatal Intensive Care
Paediatric Intensive Care
Respiratory



Sight and Sound

Audiology
Ophthalmology
Urology

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- A primary medical qualification recognised by the UK General Medical Council (GMC).
- Completion of a minimum of four years of speciality training at the time of entry.
- Completion of Part 1 College Exam (or equivalent to UK version).
- A postgraduate qualification in your chosen specialty, such as Membership or Fellowship of a United Kingdom Royal College, or an equivalent relevant postgraduate qualification from your home country.
- Have been employed in clinical work for a minimum of three out of the five years prior to commencing the Fellowship.
- Be employed in full time clinical work for the year directly prior to your Fellowship start date.
- Passed the International English Language Test System (IELTS) or Occupational English Test (OET) within two years prior to the point of applying for the GMC achieving:

For IELTS a score of at least 7.0 in each of the academic tests (speaking, listening, reading and writing) and a score of 7.5 or above overall.

For OET a grade B or above in each testing area (speaking, listening, reading, and writing).
- Be a resident and living overseas at the time of application.
- Comply with all UK Visa and Immigration (UKVI) requirements.

APPLICATION PROCESS

01. Application:

Applicants are required to send in their application, CV and supporting documents through our application portal. The programme lead and relevant specialty education lead will review their application upon receipt. Successful candidates will be invited to participate in a virtual interview.

02. Interview:

If their application is selected, candidates will receive an invitation to participate in a formal interview. The virtual interview will consist of a series of interview questions with the specialty and programme lead. At the end of the interview, candidates will be able to ask any questions they may have.

03. Offer:

Candidates who pass the interview will receive a formal offer for an International Fellowship. At this stage, candidates will be required to provide proof of funding, referee details, and a valid English test certificate.

04. Applying to join the Medical Register in the UK:

Upon completion of step 3, our team will request candidates to initiate their General Medical Council (GMC) application, which will involve verifying their medical degree and submitting any additional documents as required by the GMC. Please note that this step can only be initiated 6 months prior to the candidate's start date.

05. GMC Sponsorship:

After candidates finish their portion of the GMC application and their primary medical degree has been verified, our team will provide a Sponsorship Registration Certificate to the GMC to provide sponsorship for their application.

06. Visa Application:

Once GMC registration has been granted, our team will support candidates to apply for their Government Authorised Exchange Visa. Our team will submit a visa sponsorship form via our partner, the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges, through the Medical Training Initiative (MTI) and candidates will receive a Certificate of Sponsorship. As part of this process, candidates are required to complete the Academy's Data Protection Consent (DPC) form that will be sent to them via email by the Academy. Candidates will then be able to apply for their visa through the UK Visas and Immigration website, providing all necessary documents as outlined in the application process. Our team will guide candidates through the visa application process and provide any assistance they may need.

07. UK Police and Occupational Health Checks:

After completing step 6, candidates must undergo required Human Resources (HR) checks, such as the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) and occupational health checks. Our HR team will assist candidates in completing these checks.

08. Moving to the UK:

Once the visa is granted and the DBS check has cleared, candidates will be able to travel to the UK and begin their fellowship. Our team will support candidates throughout their stay in the UK, providing guidance on living and any other support that they may require. Our team is dedicated to ensuring a smooth and successful transition for candidates coming to the UK. We will be available to answer any questions or concerns throughout the entire process and are committed to supporting candidates every step of the way. International Fellows are supported by our team to apply for a Government Authorised Exchange (Temporary Work) visa, which will enable them to come to the UK to complete their fellowship.

They will be required to pay application fees and the Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS) as part of their visa application, which gives access to NHS healthcare during their time in the UK. As International Fellows are sponsored as part of an MTI scheme, their family are exempt from the IHS and therefore International Fellows may be able to claim a full refund for themselves and any dependants. International Fellows can find out more information about their visa and dependant's eligibility, as well as fees, on the UK government website. (www.gov.uk)

MOVING TO THE UK

As you begin your journey with the GOSH Learning Academy, we want to ensure you're equipped with the tools for both academic and personal success.

We're here to support you through every step, including close assistance with;

- Finding accommodation
- Opening a new bank account
- Finding a school for your children
- Registering with a doctor

The international education team are here to guide and support you, and can be contacted if you have any questions at international.fellowship@gosh.nhs.uk or more information can be found on our website:

www.gosh.nhs.uk/gla/international-opportunities

We are excited to welcome you to GOSH and look forward to meeting you.





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