

**Job Title:** Critical Care Fellow – Advanced Airway fellowship

**Salary Range:** £30002 to £47175 pa

**Banding:** 1A

**Base:** John Radcliffe & Churchill Hospitals, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (OUHFT)

**Division:** Critical care, Pain, Preoperative Assessment & Resuscitation (CPR)

**Accountable to:** Clinical Director for Adult Critical Care

Applications are invited for a new fellowship within the established Adult Critical Care programme. The OUHFT has a unique population of patients with complex airway issues relevant to critical care, including a large maxillofacial and ENT cancer service and being a regional major trauma centre. The advanced airway fellowship is constructed to allow senior anaesthetic & critical care doctors to develop the skills, knowledge and experience relevant to difficult airway management in both elective and emergency settings

### **Programme Aims**

This post will attempt to develop three areas;

1. **Management.** Provide structures to support the management of patients with tracheostomies that are placed surgically or percutaneously on the ICU, and are still in situ when the patient leaves the department. Collaboration with the cross trust critical care working group pioneering the use of tracheostomies within critical care and in general ward areas will contribute towards quality improvement activity of the successful applicant.
2. **Education.** To provide leadership, and training in airway management for a multi disciplinary group of critical care staff including medical trainees and nursing staff. A hybrid of classroom and simulation scenarios are currently in place for this purpose. Applicants would be expected to contribute to the delivery and development of this programme.
3. **Audit and Research.** Focusing on the maxillofacial patients who come through the ICU. First there are the cancer patients having undergone extensive free flap surgery. Secondly, there is a large number of trauma patients with maxillofacial injuries. There is a host of opportunities for audit and research around these patients. There are issues about pre-assessment, cancellation on day of surgery due to

lack of ICU beds, and follow up of the free flaps, and looking at those whose flaps fail.

### **Programme structure and applicant specification**

Although not mandatory, it is expected the trainee will be functioning at a senior level within critical care (ie ST6 level or above) with adequate ARCP outcomes. During the programme, the trainee will operate on both the John Radcliffe and Churchill hospital in a senior registrar capacity. The departments function on a 1: 7 rota and trainees would be expected to possess advanced airway and resuscitation skills as a minimum. Educational progress will be monitored by specific ICM Consultants and successful candidates will be expected to display suitable WPBA to justify progress during the clinical attachment.

One day a week will be dedicated to specific airway training activity. This will comprise of a mixture of theatre sessions under the direct supervision of the complex airway theatre group, educational sessions in critical care and personal study for research and QIP activity. Successful applicants will be supervised by Dr Stuart Benham, Anaesthetic and critical care Consultant.

### **Supervision**

Please contact Dr Stuart Benham ([stuart.benham@ndcn.ox.ac.uk](mailto:stuart.benham@ndcn.ox.ac.uk)) for further information regarding the content of the fellowship or Dr Graham Barker (ICU staffing lead, [graham.barker@ouh.nhs.uk](mailto:graham.barker@ouh.nhs.uk)) for information about the fellowship programme.