

# Reading Shoulder Surgery Fellow - JOB DESCRIPTION 2020-2022

## Clinical Research Shoulder Surgery Fellowship Reading Shoulder Unit Berkshire Independent Hospital and Spire Dunedin Hospital

Consultants responsible: Professor Ofer Levy, MD MCh(Orth) FRCS  
Mr Giuseppe Sforza, MD  
Mr Paolo Consigliere, MD

### **The Reading Shoulder Fellowship is a Two-year fellowship:**

Clinical research fellowship funded by a private Research/Educational grant.

This is an excellent opportunity for post CCT Orthopaedic trainees to undertake research and clinical work under primary supervision of Professor Ofer Levy.

The main focus of the role will be in shoulder and elbow surgery. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to undertake clinical and operative work. There will also be opportunities to join trauma lists if this is desirable.

Working alongside a dedicated team of Research Fellows and playing an integral role in service delivery, the successful candidates will enjoy a multitude of research opportunities and be expected to produce high quality research for peer review publication and national/international meeting presentations.

The job has a great track record for both academic and clinical research with previous Fellows achieving over ten presentations/ publications per year. Our organisation has extensive links to elite sport, which also offers additional avenues for unique clinical exposure and research themes.

The posts are aimed at boosting the candidate's academic and clinical achievements for a future Consultant job

The job plan is flexible and can be tailored according to the candidate's research/clinical needs. If desired, we will also support you in expanding the role to pursue a higher degree.

### **The post - Clinical research fellowship**

The post is based in the Reading Shoulder Unit in the Berkshire Independent hospital and Spire Dunedin Hospital and funded by a private Research/Educational grant. It is SAC approved fellowship.

### **The Hospitals**

#### **Berkshire Independent Hospital**

was purpose built in 1993 and has been designed to combine exceptional standards of patient accommodation with the technical equipment and facilities that modern medicine demands. The hospital has 52 individual patient rooms and nine twin bedded rooms all with en-suite facilities, nurse call system, telephone and sky television. All patients are under the care of a Consultant and, a Resident Medical Officer provides a 24-hour service. The hospital has a two-bedded High Dependency Unit for patients requiring specialist nursing. The theatre department has 3 main theatres, two with laminar flow, a seven-bedded recovery area and a dedicated Endoscopy Suite with a recovery area. The theatre

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department is available for routine and emergency surgery. An on-call team is available at all times.

### **Clinical Services**

The Outpatient Department in the ground floor of the hospital has 19 consulting rooms with associated examination and treatment facilities, and a minor operating theatre. Other outpatient facilities include a large Physiotherapy Department with a well equipped, modern gymnasium, Audiology, X-ray, ultrasound and MRI scanning.

### **The Reading Shoulder Unit - Centre of Excellence**

Three Orthopaedic Surgeons, Professor Ofer Levy MD MCh(Orth) FRCS, Mr Giuseppe Sforza MD MCh(Orth) and Mr Paolo Consigliere MD work alongside a team of shoulder fellows, anaesthetists, physiotherapists, nurses and research staff in a dedicated shoulder unit.

The unit investigates and treats patients with all types of disorders of the shoulder. The unit is recognised both nationally and internationally.

### **The Spire Dunedin Hospital**

Spire Dunedin is a well-established private hospital in Reading, providing quality treatment and aftercare both to NHS and Private patients. The theatre department has 2 main theatres. The Outpatient Department consulting rooms with associated examination and treatment facilities. Other outpatient facilities include a Physiotherapy Department with a well equipped, modern gymnasium, X-ray, ultrasound, CT scanner and MRI scanning.

### **Duties of the shoulder fellow post**

Clinical duties will include outpatient clinics, ward rounds and operating sessions. The rest of the time will be available for clinical and basic research.

During the early part of the appointment, the Shoulder Fellow will be expected to operate with Professor Levy, Mr Sforza and Mr Consigliere to develop skills in all aspects of shoulder surgery including arthroscopic surgery, but later may carry out operative procedures by him/herself in order to develop personal skills and operative techniques. Duties will be entirely related to the shoulder surgery unit.

Inclusion in the on-call duty rota in the Berkshire Independent hospital is part of the job.

The applicant will be expected to be computer literate, to have FRCS(Orth) or equivalent and to have CST accreditation. The post is initially for 12 months with extension for another 12 months.

The successful candidates will enjoy a multitude of research opportunities.

The Fellow will gain extensive experience in shoulder surgery.

The Fellow will be expected:

1. To monitor the implementation of the Orthopaedic Database set up by the previous fellows and be responsible for recording all data of the Reading Shoulder Unit
2. To continue with existing prospective and retrospective research.
3. To set up prospective trials which may be continued by subsequent fellows.
4. To set up retrospective studies which may be continued by subsequent fellows.
5. To initiate basic and clinical research projects which may be aided by other junior staff in the hospital.

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6. To take an active part in the research meetings of the unit.
7. Expected to produce high quality research for peer review publication and national/international meeting presentations.

The pay will be £35,000 gross pa. (for 12 months).

Funds may be available for research projects.

### **3. LOCATION OF DUTIES**

During the year at Reading, the Fellow will work at the Berkshire Independent Hospital, and Spire Dunedin Hospital. There may be duties at other locations as well.

### **4. STUDY AND TRAINING**

Application for study leave to attend approved meetings, courses etc are given sympathetic consideration and such leave is always granted whenever service commitments permit.

### **7. CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

Applicants must be registered with the General Medical Council and must be members of an approved medical protection organisation. They are expected to have completed an adequate training in Orthopaedic surgery and have FRCS (Orth) or equivalent.

### **8. DATE WHEN POST IS VACANT**

July 2022.

### **9. ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISITING THE HOSPITAL**

Applicants are invited to visit the Unit by appointment and to contact Professor Levy's PA , Cherie Emmitt  
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or e-mail: [cherie@readingshoulderunit.com](mailto:cherie@readingshoulderunit.com).