

25 January 2017

**To: All Specialist Registrars and Specialty Registrars at level 3 or above
General Practice Trainees**

Re: Clinical Academic Training Posts at Queen's University

Queen's University Belfast in partnership with the Northern Ireland Medical and Dental Training Agency (Northern Ireland Postgraduate Deanery) and the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust provide Clinical Academic Training opportunities in research and education. These posts have been created as part of Modernising Medical Careers/National Co-ordinating Centre for Research Capacity Programme of Integrated Academic Training. They offer candidates a comprehensive experience in clinical academic medicine alongside internationally recognised clinicians and researchers.

We are seeking highly motivated, enthusiastic individuals wishing to excel in both clinical and academic training and who have the ambition to be the next generation of leading academic clinicians. Applications are now invited for Academic Clinical Fellowship (ACF) and Academic Clinical Lecturers (ACL) at ST3 level or above within any discipline.

The ACF post, normally for 2 years, and attracts an NTN(a). During this period the ACF will complete training with 25% of their time to undertake research at QUB in the specialty to which they are appointed. They will prepare an application for an externally funded clinical research training fellowship to undertake a PhD/MD.

The ACL post, normally for 3 years, also attracts an NTN(a). Those appointed at ACL level will already have a postgraduate degree (PhD/MD) or be within three months of submission. They will finish their clinical training while continuing academic development at post-doctoral level with 50% research time at QUB.

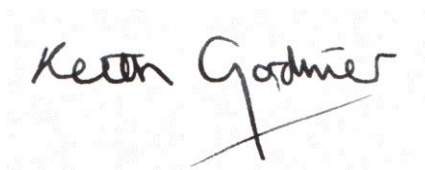
Trainees should review the Job Description for the specific criteria. Core clinical competencies will be gained as necessary through access to the essential elements of the training curriculum. Clinical training offers a wide range of opportunities in programmes that have a strong track record in specialty training and academic activities.

For candidates who already have a PhD in a relevant field but are early in their training, an individualised training plan may be possible.

For further information please contact Professor M Shields in the School of Medicine, Dentistry & Biomedical Sciences at Queen's University (m.shields@qub.ac.uk).

Applicants should complete the application form and return to Meredith Gregge, NIMDTA, Beechill House, 42 Beechill Road, Belfast BT8 7RL by **4pm on Wednesday 22 February 2017** or e-mail meredith.gregge@hscni.net detailing in the email subject line the post which you are applying to. **Interviews will take place Tuesday 11 April 2017.**

Yours sincerely



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