



International Emergency and Resuscitation Medicine Fellowship Programme

Job Description & Guidance for Hosting Departments

What it is the IERM Fellowship:

The IERMF is a high level educational and training programme developed in partnership between the Italian Emergency Medicine Trainees Association (COSMEU), Barts Health NHS Trust and the Queen Mary University of London.

The IERMF involves the placement of senior trainees in EM from Italy at BH to undertake clinical secondments coupled with a master's in Emergency and Resuscitation Medicine based at QMUL. This unique programme will train Italian EM residents to a high level, facilitate international collaboration, and via feedback and shared learning, foster the development of EM training in Italy.

Secondments and rota specifics:

- A. **Clinical work:** Fellows will be appointed to a 12 or 18 months secondment, according to their availability. Other options are not allowed. The rotations will be arranged as follows:
 - **12 months programme:** 6 months - Emergency Medicine, 6 months - Intensive Care;
 - **18 months programme:** 6 months - Emergency Medicine, 6 months - Intensive Care, 6 months - Emergency Medicine;
- B. The **weekly amount of clinical working hours** will reflect the same amount of hours required by Italian legislation (*reference: Art. 40 paragraph 1 Legislative Decree number 368/99; Art.40 comma 1 D.Lgs 368/99*) and amounts to **37.5 hours/week**. Clinical work will involve days, weekend and night shifts.
- C. **Non-Clinical work:** Each fellow will spend 80% of their rostered hours in clinical work and 20% personal development/educational time on a weekly basis (*i.e.* 4 clinical working days, 1 study day, 2 days off in a 7 day week). The **study day** will be **Thursday** to meet QMUL tutorial obligations (*see point F*).

- D. **6-months rotation in Emergency Medicine** will take place in one of the BH NHS Trust hospitals (*i.e.* Royal London Hospital, Newham University Hospital, Whipps Cross University Hospital). Clinical activity will be in the emergency department, with autonomy proportionate to the level of competence developed by the Fellow and discussed with the appointed Clinical Supervisor. For those fellows taking the 18 month programme, a second ED rotation follows the ICU placement (below) in a different BH ED.
- E. **6-months rotation in Intensive Care Medicine** will take place at Newham University Hospital. The fellow will hold a position equivalent to a Stage 1 Trainee in Intensive Care Medicine. The level of autonomy and responsibility will be based on experience and subject to discussion with and reviewed by the appointed Clinical Supervisor.
- F. Each fellow will have **Thursday as a study day each week**. On the agreed study day, the fellow will be able to attend the resuscitation area of Royal London Hospital (7 hours) and have protected time to undertake MSc course study and attending tutorials (2 hours). The clinical role covered in the resuscitation area at RLH will be agreed with the clinical lead and may include observation or as an active trauma team member. **Fellows will not work past 23:00 on Wednesday** in order to be able to attend their study day.
- G. The fellows will be appointed a **Clinical Supervisor** that will support them in the drafting and completing of a Personal Development Plan for each secondment. It is the responsibility of the fellow to arrange regular meetings with the Clinical Supervisor according to their development needs.
- H. Educational activity will be primarily through completion of the **MSc programme at QMUL**. Fellows will also attend Trust and departmental educational activity, including induction.
- I. The fellows will be required to actively participate in **quarterly case-based discussions facilitated by Prof Tim Harris and Dr Marco Bonsano**. These events will be open to all Italian residents.

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