GOLDEN JUBILEE NATIONAL HOSPITAL

JOB DESCRIPTION:

1. JOB IDENTIFICATION

| Job Title: | CLINICAL FELLOWSHIP IN ADVANCED HEART FAILURE, CARDIAC TRANSPLANTATION AND MECHANICAL CIRCULATORY SUPPORT |
| Department(s): | SCOTTISH NATIONAL ADVANCED HEART FAILURE SERVICE (SNAHFS) |
| Responsible to: | Associate Medical Director for Cardiology |

2. JOB PURPOSE

This exciting post offers excellent training in advanced heart failure. The successful applicant will form part of the Scottish National Advanced Heart Failure Service multidisciplinary team responsible for the in-patient and out-patient care of patients with advanced heart failure (AHF), cardiac transplantation (CTX) and mechanical circulatory support (MCS). The post is available from August 2015 for one year in the first instance, with further extensions potentially available depending on satisfactory progress.

3. ORGANISATIONAL POSITION

The post holder will be accountable clinically to Dr Roy Gardner, cardiology lead for SNAHFS, with responsibility to Dr. Hany Eteiba, Associate Medical Director.

4. SCOPE AND RANGE

This Fellowship offers an excellent opportunity for clinical experience in advanced heart failure (including cardiac transplantation and mechanical circulatory support) and will be for 1 year in the first instance, with the potential to extend dependent on satisfactory progress.

The SNAHFS is an integrated part of the West of Scotland Heart and Lung Centre at The Golden Jubilee National Hospital. As well as the cardiac transplant service, there is a recently established mechanical circulatory support (or VAD) programme. The unit works closely with the local and regional cardiology and cardiac surgery services. This post would be suitable for a range of applicants including Specialist Registrars or Trainees wanting subspecialist experience in advanced heart failure, as well as participating in clinical research. There is also the potential to develop a research project that would lead towards an MD/PhD.
5. MAIN DUTIES/RESPONSIBILITIES

The main responsibilities of the post are mainly, but not exclusively:

Clinical
The job plan consists 1 week in 2 working on the SNAHFS ward, attending twice daily consultant-led ward rounds, performing right heart catheterisations, endomyocardial biopsies and presenting patients at the weekly multi-disciplinary team (MDT) meeting. The week ‘off’ the ward can be tailored to suit the needs of the successful applicant, but could include training in cardiac MRI, coronary intervention, complex device therapy, adult congenital heart disease, as well as input into the unit’s busy research activities.

Training
The post-holder will be trained to perform right heart catheterisation, endomyocardial biopsy and intra-aortic balloon pump insertion. They will become experienced in the assessment of critically ill patients with heart failure, the basic management of immunotherapy and associated complications, the management of cardiac transplant patients and the management of patients with ventricular assist devices. As the three cardiologists responsible for SNAHFS also have subspecialty interests in complex devices (implantable cardioverter defibrillators and biventricular pacing), imaging (cardiovascular magnetic resonance and echocardiography), and percutaneous coronary intervention, exposure to these aspects of cardiology will be offered, but this post is primarily aimed at trainees wishing to pursue a sub-specialist interest in heart failure. Additionally, there are a range of other subspecialties practiced in the hospital including electrophysiology, adult congenital heart disease and pulmonary hypertension.

Research
The SNAHFS has strong links with the University of Glasgow. There is an active research programme at the Golden Jubilee National Hospital, with an extensive portfolio of heart failure and device studies. The post-holder will be encouraged and supported to contribute to this.

Teaching
Undergraduates attend throughout their training and the post-holder may be involved in supervision of students and bedside teaching.

Administration
Administrative duties will include the supervision and counselling of junior staff and planning the organisation of in-patient and out-patient services.

Education
There will be teaching on the daily consultant-led ward round. As well as the SNAHFS and ITU MDT meetings, there are weekly valve, congenital, imaging and surgical MDT meetings, and fortnightly EP/devices meetings. There is a quarterly continued medical education program at the hospital.

There is a well-stocked modern cardiology library within the Golden Jubilee National Hospital. Internet access and access to e-learning materials is available to the post-holder in accordance with local policies. There is WiFi throughout the hospital and hotel.

6. SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT

Familiarity with hospital IT systems including the newly-introduced Clinical Information System.
### 7. DECISIONS AND JUDGEMENTS

Independent decision making to the level of your experience is encouraged. However you will always have access to advice and support from one of the consultant cardiologists or transplant surgeons working in SNAHFS.

### 8. COMMUNICATIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS

The post-holder will be expected to maintain a high level of communication with all grades of medical and allied staff.

### 9. PHYSICAL DEMANDS OF THE JOB

Routine ward rounds and handovers commence at 0830 daily. Day shift ends 1700. Applicants may be required to take part on a shared night shift on an equal basis (currently a 1 in 8 rota covering Cardiology areas) which starts at 2000 and ends at 0900.

### 10. MOST CHALLENGING/DIFFICULT PARTS OF THE JOB

Getting the balance between managing critically ill patients appropriately in a high risk environment and referring problems to senior colleagues. Equally balancing the desire for training and the needs of service provision is challenging.

### 11. KNOWLEDGE, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED TO DO THE JOB

All applicants must have full registration with the General Medical Council.

Applicants should have MRCP(UK) or equivalent and have experience in Cardiology.

The post-holder will be required to adhere to all GJNH policies, procedures and regulations.

### 12. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

This post is covered by the Terms and Conditions of Service of Hospital and Dental Staff (Scotland).

Salary Scale: As per national rates.
### 13. JOB DESCRIPTION AGREEMENT

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#### Informal enquiries

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Completed applications to be returned to:

Recruitment
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Please include a copy of your CV with your application form.

Closing Date: 23 January 2015
### Recruitment Person Specification – advanced heart failure fellow

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