Recruitment of a King’s Sierra Leone Partnership/Royal College of Anaesthetists Senior Anaesthetic Trainee Fellow

This is an exciting opportunity to make a significant contribution to quality improvement and anaesthesia care in Sierra Leone, open to ST5+ anaesthetic trainees.

The King’s Sierra Leone Partnership (KSLP) is an organisation of clinical academics engaging in long-term capacity building between King’s Health Partners in London and key partner institutions in Freetown, Sierra Leone. KSLP aims to help strengthen Sierra Leone’s health system by improving training, clinical services, policy and research. KSLP partners with the key health institutions in the country: Connaught Hospital, the country’s principal tertiary adult referral centre, the College of Medicine & Allied Health Sciences (COMAHS), the country’s only medical and pharmacy school and the main institution for basic and specialist nurse training, and the Ministry of Health & Sanitation (MOHS).

As Sierra Leone moves on after the Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) outbreak, KSLP’s focus returned to strengthening the country’s health system with an emphasis on tertiary care and suitable referral environments both for district hospitals to escalate complex adult medical and surgical cases and for quality post-graduate specialisation to begin. KSLP is working closely with local partners in all specialties to strengthen systems in emergency, medical, surgical and critical care services. KSLP supports a number of programmes aiming to improve human resource knowledge and skills throughout clinical care. Key to this process are aligned projects in diagnostics, infrastructure, enabling environments and data collection and analysis, to optimise the available work forces’ ability to improve patient care.

KSLP in collaboration with the Royal College of Anaesthetists is looking to recruit a Senior Volunteer Anaesthetic Trainee Fellow from August 2017, for a period of 6-12 months. This individual will be based in Connaught Hospital in Freetown and will have a central role in supporting local partners in anaesthesia and surgical services, evaluating and addressing the current needs and evolving the role accordingly. The individual will work alongside a KSLP in-country team of 25 clinicians, academics and educationalists.

The successful applicant will work as part of a team to develop anaesthetic services within Sierra Leone and make a real difference to anaesthetic education and patient outcomes. Up to 6 months can be considered for counting towards CCT as part of “General Duties” at a higher / advanced level, through the optional Unit of Training: Anaesthesia in Developing Countries module in the CCT curriculum. This will require prospective approval from the Training Committee and the GMC, through the OOPT approval process, although it can be taken as an OOPE.

Application deadline: Sunday 8 January 2017
Interview date: Monday 30 January 2017

In order to apply, please send a covering letter (maximum 2 pages in length) outlining why you are interested in undertaking the post and a CV (maximum 4 pages in length) to: Global@rcoa.ac.uk