



Prevocational Training Term Description: Orthopaedic Surgery with Orthopaedic Geriatrics

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Term Details						
Facility	Canberra Health Services					
Term name*	Orthopaedic Su	urgery with Orth	opaedic Geriat	trics		
Term specialty*	Surgery					
Term location	The Canberra H	lospital				
Classification of clinical	Un-	Chronic	Acute critica	al Peri-	Non-direct	
experience in term*	differentiated	illness	illness patier	nt operative/	clinical	
•	illness	patient care	care	procedural	experience	
(Highlight a maximum of 2)	patient care	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		patient care	(PGY2 only)	
Is this a service term?	Is this a service term?					
Service term is a term with discont	nuous learning ex	us learning experiences including limited access			Nie	
to education program or limited a	ccess to regular wi	s to regular within-unit learning activities or less/			No	
discontinuous overarching supervision (e.g., relief term or nights with limited staff).						
Term duration (weeks)*	12-14 weeks (depending on term dates)					
Term accredited for	PGY1 and PGY2 PGY2+ Only			Only		
Total number of prevocational	3 Limitations/conditions			The RMOs in this term must be		
training places		In some terms, the		assigned in orthopaedic surgery		
		CRMEC will	CRMEC will make to		red to rotate to	
		limitations (e.g. skills mix		one RMO position covering the		
		or minimum numbers) orthopaedic geriatrics roster.				

Term Sup	Term Supervision				
Term Supervisor (name and position) Term supervisor is responsible for conducting term orientation, discussing the PGY1/2's learning needs with them, and conducting and documenting a midterm and end-of-term assessment. Term supervisors must complete mandatory training and commit to a code of conduct outlining their responsibilities.		A/Prof Alex Fisher Dr Joe Lau Dr Tom Ward			
Clinical team supervision	Primary/Immediate Clinical Supervisor (name and position) Clinical supervisor is a consultant or senior medical practitioner (PGY3+) with experience in managing patients in the relevant discipline. They are readily accessible for support, provide	A/Prof Alex Fisher Dr Manoj Saraswat (Alternative supervisor) Dr Igor Policinski – Upper limb Prof Paul Smith – Pelvis and lower limb Dr Bryan Ashman – Fracture clinics Dr Sindy Vrancic – Upper limb			





	education, conduction assessment.	ct EPAs and contribute to	A/Prof Chris Roberts – Upper Dr Damian Smith – Lower lim Dr Alexander Burns – Lower l Dr Joe Lau – Lower limb Dr Joseph Smith – Shoulder a Dr Gawel Kulisiewicz – Lower Dr Phil Aubin – Lower limb Dr Nicholas Tsai – Spine and Dr Michael Gross – Lower lim Dr Tom Ward – Lower Limb	ib imb ind Lower limb · limb general	
			Dr Saqib Zafar – Lower Limb		
	Additional Clinical Supervisors (positions) Position of others (PGY3+) responsible for day-day clinical supervision, including afterhours supervisors.		One geriatric advanced trainee on the ward. Orthopaedic Registrars (Advanced Trainees and Unaccredited Registrars) are on-site daily. After-hours an on-site medical registrar covers inpatients for all medical specialities.		
	EPA Assessors Name and position of others (PGY3+) who have completed training to undertake EPA assessments.		All Clinical supervisors in this term can undertake EPAs including registrars who have undertaken EPA training.		
Highlight the te	Clinical Team Structure* Ward Based Highlight the team model, identify and describe the		Team Based	Other	
clinical team structure including how PGY1/2s are distributed JMOs are allocated to one orthogeniatric team, per the		the of the orthopaedic teams, one of which covers the the roster. Clinical supervision is provided by the pove. There is also a geriatric AT for inpatients.			

Commencing the Term	
Requirements for commencing the term* If there are any specific requirements (e.g., courses, procedural skills or e-learning requirements) provide details of how the prevocational doctor will receive this training/will be assessed.	No specific extra skills related to this position are required.
Orientation Include detail regarding the arrangements for orientation to the term, including who is responsible for workplace orientation and any additional resource documents such as clinical policies and guidelines required as reference material. The term supervisor is	Ward Orientation Ward 5A is the Orthopaedic ward where most of the orthogeriatric patients are located. There is no specific doctors' office for orthopaedics and orthogeriatrics, the doctors' share the computers





responsible for orienting the JMO to the term requirements and clinical expectations within the first week of starting the term

with nurses and allied health. Introduce yourself to the 5A CNC who can orientate you to the ward.

Term Orientation

JMOs should email A/Prof Fisher in the week prior to commencing the term to set up a time for orientation.

Workplace Orientation

On commencement of the term, the JMO should present to ward 5A no later than 0800hrs (unless advised earlier). They should introduce themselves to the 5A CNC and the AT when available.

Overview of the Unit

The role of the unit and range of clinical services provided, including an outline of the patient case mix, turnover and how acutely ill the patients generally are

There will be 3 residents (RMO) allocated to the Orthopaedic Surgery with Orthopaedic Geriatrics Term. At any one time, there will be an RMO rotating in the Ortho-Geriatrics term, and the other 2 RMOs will be rotating through the Orthopaedic Surgery Term.

Please refer to the Orthopaedic Surgery Term Description for start times, ward rounds, JMO tasks and responsibilities with regards to the JMOs rotating in this Unit.

Orthopaedic Geriatrics:

- To provide inpatient management care and arrange outpatient clinic for hip fractures for the geriatric community.
- To teach and train junior medical staff, nurses and allied health professionals in ortho-geriatric conditions and complications.
- The ortho-geriatric unit looks after all patients with neck of femur fractures to manage and review patients with their own specific needs.

Clinical responsibilities and tasks of the prevocational doctor

Provide an overview of the routine duties and responsibilities

A medical case notes ward round is conducted each day by the ortho-geriatric team.

Ward Rounds

Consultant ward round usually occurs on Wednesday at 1000. Paper round with the Consultant occurs at 1430 everyday.

Orthopaedic Geriatrics:

Under the supervision of the ortho-geriatric registrar, the JMO is responsible for actioning the day-to-day management of the patients under their team. All patients under their care should be seen daily, usually with the ortho-geriatric registrar. All patients will be discussed with the ortho-geriatric consultant daily. During the daily review of each patient, it is the JMOs responsibility to document the patient progress, the medical review and the management plan.

Additionally, the JMO should assist the registrar to document any new admissions including:

A full medication history into DHR





Work Routine Provide an overview of the work routine	 Detailed social history (education and work history, role of relevant family members, formal and informal care providers, presence of ACAT, Wills, powers of attorney or guardians) Any collateral history from family, carers and general practitioners. Specific attention to continence, falls, osteoporosis history Perform a medication review Screening blood tests, which include: FBC, UEC, LFTs, CRP, CK, Troponin I, B12, Folate, Iron studies, P1NP, β-CTX, Ca/Mg/PO4, 25-Hydroxy Vitamin D, PTH, Thyroid Function Test. Formulation of a problem-oriented management plan The JMO is also responsible for documenting the patient's admission to the ward, reasons for changes to regular medications and any follow up required in the form of a discharge summary to all relevant parties. Work routine and tasks are outlined in more detail in the JMO Handbook. 	
Clinical handover procedure Provide an overview of the handover procedure and expectations in this training term	There should be several formal daily handovers. In the morning on ward 5A, the overnight JMO is expected to handover to the day JMOs before heading home. The afternoon / evening JMO should contact the day teams upon arrival to assist with tasks and receive a handover. They should also handover to the overnight JMO before leaving for home.	
Safety	OH&S, occupational violence and safety in pregnancy are covered in the JMO Handbook. The Orthopaedic Surgery and Ortho-geriatrics Department supports Speaking Up For Safety of patients and staff.	
Opportunities for Indigenous Health	Aboriginal and Torres Strait islander peoples may present as patients within this term and JMOs will be able to engage the support of the Aboriginal Liaison Officer as required for patients and their families and improve their knowledge, and skills around cultural safety.	

Education, Learning and Assessment				
Term Learning Objectives	The JMO should strive to have undertaken the following by the end of this Term:			
List the term-specific	Clinical			
learning objectives*	 Gain an understanding of clinical features of the ortho-geriatric conditions and a confidence in demonstrating the relevant physical signs Gain confidence in assessing and management of: 			
	 Fractures and dislocations other than Neck of Femur fractures; 			
	 Soft tissue injuries; and 			
	 Other urgent orthopaedic conditions including infection and 			
	compartment syndrome.			





- Become competent in fluid balance assessment and management in orthogeriatric patients (refer to *Perioperative Fluid Management in Ortho-geriatric Patients Guideline*)
- Become proficient in the ways to prevent complications from and optimisation of ongoing medical management with special consideration of:
 - 1. Pain
 - 2. Venous thromboembolism (in-hospital and post-discharge)
 - 3. Electrolyte status (hyponatraemia, potassium and magnesium abnormality)
 - 4. Anaemia
 - 5. Iron status
 - 6. High inflammatory response, possible infections
 - 7. Delirium
 - 8. Infection
 - 9. Falls
 - 10. Osteoporosis
 - 11. Polypharmacy
 - 12. Exacerbation of chronic conditions, such as CCF, COPD, diabetes
 - 13. Incontinence
 - 14. Constipation
 - 15. Functional assessment
 - 16. Wound management
 - 17. Prevention of pressure sores
- Develop competence in interpretation of appropriate investigations, especially musculoskeletal imaging
- Become competent in the management of the orthogeriatric surgical patient:
 - o pre-operative:
 - pre-existing medical conditions
 - relevant investigations
 - o post-operative:
 - anticipation and prevention of complications, especially venous thrombosis and wound infection
 - wound care
 - appropriate pain control

Detail education and research opportunities and resources specific to this training term that will be available to the JMO during the term.

Formal education opportunities should also be included in the unit timetable

General Mandatory Education

- All interns are expected to attend the mandatory Tuesday afternoon teaching program. This is a requirement of CRMEC. The period from 1430-1600 on Tuesdays is protected time for JMOs.
- Mandatory RMO (PGY2) teaching is Thursdays 1300-1400. This is protected time for PGY2 JMOs.
- Venue and topics are confirmed by email earlier in the day.
- Non mandated, non protected JMO teaching occurs at 1300 on Mondays as part of the 'Monday Shorts' program
- Other team members, including registrars or JMOs are to continue the clinical work required in the absence of the attending JMO to prevent delay from completion of their clinical shift due to attending teaching.

Grand Rounds:





	All JMOs are encouraged to attend Grand Rounds on Wednesdays.				
	Term-Specific Training				
	 Participate in the weekly Geriatric Medicine Unit Education Meeting Tuesday 1200 hrs 				
	 Attend relevant multi-disciplinary ortho-geriatric team meetings pertaining to their patients 				
	Attend the geriatric medicine departments educational and mortality and				
	 morbidity meetings Registrar teaching occurs informally on ward rounds and during hand-over 				
	sessions.				
During this term	EPA 1 EPA 2 EPA 3 EPA 4				
prevocational	Clinical Assessment	Recognition and	Prescribing	Team communication —	
doctors should		care of the		documentation, handover	
expect to complete	acutely unwell and referrals				
the following EPAs*		patient			
(Highlight all that					
apply)					





Term/Unit Timetable and Indicative Duty Roster*

Include the **start time** and **finish times** of the shifts the prevocational doctor will be rostered to. Show the activities that the prevocational doctor is expected/rostered to attend – these include all **education opportunities** (both training facility-wide and term specific), ward rounds, theatre sessions, inpatient time, outpatient clinics, shift handover, morning handover from hospital night team, afternoon handover to hospital's after hours team. Please include the approximate times of activities wherever possible. If there are extended shifts or evening shifts attach four weeks of rosters for the whole team.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Orthopaedic Geriatrics	Orthopaedic Geriatrics	Orthopaedic Geriatrics	Orthopaedic	Orthopaedic Geriatrics		
0800 Ward Round	0800 Ward Round	0800 Ward Round	Geriatrics 0800 Ward Round	0700 Ward round		
	1200 Geriatric medicine	1000 Consultant ward		1430 Consultant paper		
1300 – Monday Shorts	unit education meeting	round	1430 Consultant	round and medication		
JMO Teaching			paper round and	review		
	1430 Consultant paper	1230 Internal medicine	medication review			
1430 Consultant paper	round and medication	grand rounds				
round and medication	review		1300-1400			
review		1430 Consultant paper	Mandatory RMO			
	1430-1600 Mandatory	round and medication	teaching			
	Intern teaching	review				





Dationt Load	10-20 patients			
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Average Per Shift	Can be as few as 5 and as many as 30. Orthogeriatric team is always on-take.			
Overtime	Rostered overtime hours/week	8		
	Unrostered overtime hours/week	0		
After hours roster	JMOs will be expected to work or	the after-hours roster.		
Does this term include				
participation in hospital-		one or more weeks of evening shifts and one or		
wide afterhours roster?	_	ne evening shift you will receive handover from		
If so advise:		1/2 you may be called to commence work		
 Frequency of after- 	earlier in the day should the pation	ent load require it.		
hours work,	The JMO may be required to do a	week of night shifts during the term. The		
including evenings, nights and weekends		ered, followed by 7 days off – however the JMO		
(hours/week and		taking annual leave after the days.		
weekends/month)	•	pe made to allow for leave provided adequate		
Onsite supervision	warning is given (often prior to th	ne start of term).		
available after hours				
	JMOs will also be expected to do weekend/public holiday shifts throughout the			
If the JMO will be	term.			
working outside this	By working after hours shifts, you will be part of a team providing 24-hour care			
term on afterhours roster, provide details of		n a more focused handover and utilise relevant		
the after-hours work and	discharge/case mix information more efficiently and you will be able to follow up			
a four-week roster.	relevant investigations and consultations more closely with a working knowledge			
The designated after-hours supervisor should be listed	of the various plans for each patient from their respective day teams.			
in the supervisory team.	After Hours Support/Supervision is provided by the ward medical registrar and, if			
	necessary, the on-call specialty physicians.			
	Hours of Work			
	Generally, it is expected that mos	t work will be completed in the hours rostered.		
	Any uncompleted tasks should be	handed over to the covering resident. Should		
	all duties be completed then purs	uit of other activities, such as library reading		
		iged. If at any time the JMO is not able to		
		for example, at protected teaching) then		
		e in place. Should the JMO wish to leave the		
	· -	ours of duty then appropriate cover must be in		
	place.			
	Registrar roster (Orthogeriatric)			
	1 -	eriatric patient can be discussed with the		
		ekdays between 0800 to 1630. On the		





weekends, there is a geriatric registrar that can be contacted if required for any urgent issues. Otherwise M1 can be contacted during the afterhours shifts.

Consultants roster (Orthogeriatric)

Any issues related to the orthogeriatric patients can be discussed with the orthogeriatric consultant (A/Prof Alex Fisher) on the weekdays between 0800 and 1630. After hours and on the weekends, if necessary, the orthogeriatric consultant (A/Prof Alex Fisher) can be contacted via switch (except when he is not in Canberra).

List Other Relevant Documentation

Intern job description RMO job description JMO Handbook