

## Perth Hip and Knee Clinic Arthroplasty

# Fellowship

### Site location

Perth, Western Australia

### Supervisors

Mr Dermot Collopy

Mr Gavin Clark

### Job description

The Fellow will be exposed to all aspects of Hip and Knee Arthroplasty surgery including new robotic innovations. They will undertake supervised arthroplasty and arthroscopy surgery at St John of God Hospital Midland 1 day per fortnight, assisting both supervisors for complex revision cases, suitable teaching cases and robotic arthroplasty surgery. There is also a fortnightly trauma requirement. There is an opportunity to undertake approx. 7 joint replacement, arthroscopic and trauma cases per week as the primary surgeon dependent on assessment of ability.

The Fellow will be involved in teaching the service registrars and junior doctors during clinical time and one hour of formal teaching per fortnight.

There is an opportunity to undertake research and Fellows will attend fortnightly research and Xray meetings.

The successful candidate must have full fellowship in Orthopaedic Surgery with RACS and Australian Orthopaedic Association or equivalent. Full registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency is mandated.

The applicant(s) must be within three years of their qualifications and must be well versed in general and trauma orthopaedics.

Overseas candidates must comply with requirements to enter Australia on an occupational training visa.

This Fellowship is accredited by the Australian Orthopaedic Association.

### Fellowship duration

12 months preferably although 6 month positions will be considered

### Stipend

Additional earnings allowed for assisting (if qualified appropriately)

### How to apply

Appointments are made up to 18 months in advance.

Applications, including a detailed curriculum vitae and the names and contact details of three referees should be forwarded to Mr Gavin Clark.

In order to assist with your application please copy

### About the location

Perth is the capital and largest city of the Australian state of Western Australia. It is the fourth-most populous city in Australia, with an estimated population of 2.02 million (as of 30 June 2014) living in Greater Perth. Yet Perth is one of the most isolated major cities on the planet. Framed by endless cobalt skies, it stands remote at the western edge of Australia's massive expanse. Northwest across the Indian Ocean, the Asian megacity of Jakarta is closer than Melbourne or Sydney to Perth's east. This geographic exile has instilled its population with confidence and verve.

The economic benefits of Australia's resources boom continue to inspire central Perth's ongoing urban makeover, while a creative and entrepreneurial spirit drives the reinvention and renewal of inner suburbs and the nearby port town of Fremantle.

The first areas settled were on the Swan River, with the city's central business district and port (Fremantle) both located on its shores. Perth came 9th in the Economist Intelligence Unit's August 2014 list of the world's most liveable cities, and was classified by the Globalization and World Cities Research Network in 2010 as a world city.

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### About the facility

St John of God Health Care has partnered with WA Health to build and operate St John of God Midland Public Hospital and St John of God Midland Private Hospital, delivering care close to home for the communities of Midland and surrounding areas. With a total of 367 beds, 307 for public patients and 60 for private patients, the hospital is conveniently located within one complex on Clayton Street in central Midland.

Patients at the new hospital can expect the same excellent, compassionate care that St John of God Health Care has been delivering to the Western Australian community for almost 120 years.

### About the Supervisors

**Mr Dermot Collopy** MBBS, FRACS, FAOrthA

Mr Collopy is a busy Perth-based surgeon specialising in hip and knee replacement, revision arthroplasty, and pelvic and acetabular trauma. He is well-respected nationally and internationally, and is a regular speaker on the national and international circuit. He completed his residency and advanced surgical training in Perth, at the Royal Perth Hospital. After gaining FRACS Ortho in 1994, he undertook three years of overseas fellowship training in the area of hip and knee arthroplasty and revision surgery, initially at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre, Oxford UK, followed by a further year at the Cleveland Clinic, Ohio, and finally a fellowship in pelvic and acetabular trauma at Parkland Memorial Trauma Centre, Dallas Texas.

Mr Collopy works as a Consultant at Royal Perth Hospital and St John of God Private Hospitals in Perth. His research interests are in hip and knee implant design and fixation, and was one of the design surgeons on the Emperion revision hip system, the Triathlon knee system and the AccoladeII hip system. He, together with his partner Mr Gavin Clark, is involved in developing robotics in knee and hip replacement. He is the immediate Past-President of the Arthroplasty Society of Australia, and is currently the Chairman of the WA State branch of the AOA. He sits on numerous committees, including the AOA Scientific Committee, the COE Committee, and the NJRR Committee.

**Mr Gavin Clark** MBBS, FRACS

Mr Clark is an experienced Knee and Hip Surgeon with over 10 years experience as a Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon. He has sub specialist training in joint replacement surgery and arthroscopic sports surgery of the lower limb. Mr Clark is active in the field of research and training. He is currently enrolled at UWA undertaking a PhD looking at ways of improving outcomes in knee replacement surgery.

Mr Clark is Head of the Orthopaedic Department at St John of God Midland Public and Private Hospitals. He has a long term interest in computer assisted joint replacement and is also heavily involved in the introduction of Robotic technology in Arthroplasty to Australia with the Stryker Mako system installed at SJOG Subiaco Hospital.