

### **ROLE DESCRIPTION**

Role Title:	Acute Surgical Unit, Trauma & Surgical Oncology Fellow		
Classification Code:	MDP2	Position Number	
LHN/ HN/ SAAS/ DHW:	Central Adelaide Local Health Network (LHN)		
Hospital/ Service/ Cluster:	Royal Adelaide Hospital		
Division:	Surgery		
Department/Section / Unit/ Ward:	General Surgery – Acute Surgical Unit – Surg T		
Role reports to:	Head of Unit		
Role Created/ Reviewed Date:	July 2024		
Criminal and Relevant History Screening:	<ul><li>☐ Aged (NPC or DHS)</li><li>☒ Working With Children's Check (DHS)</li><li>☒ National Police Check (NPC)</li></ul>		
Immunisation Risk Category Requirements:	Category A (direct contact with blood or body substances) Category B (indirect contact with blood or body substances) Category C (minimal patient contact)		

### **ROLE CONTEXT**

### Primary Objective(s) of role:

The Department is committed to the philosophy and practice of 'Quality Service, Value and Innovation', to provide a comprehensive range of high quality, accessible clinical services to The Central Adelaide Local Heath Network.

- Devolves decision making and accountability to patient care providers as close as possible to the consumer.
- Encourages innovation in service delivery.
- Supports teamwork and coordination amongst staff for better service outcomes.
- Develops the participation of consumers and workers in evaluation and planning processes.
- Encourages and supports teaching and research.

### **Direct Reports:**

- Responsible to the Departmental Director/Head of Unit for all Clinical and administrative matters.
- To work under the supervision of the Director/Head of Unit and nominated Senior Medical Staff attached to the Department/Unit.
- To maintain an active working relationship with Consultant Staff and respect to medical services and in relation to the interface of medical staff with nursing and administrative services.
- To supervise the clinical practice of, and to teach Resident Medical Officers, Medical Students etc.
- To initiate research and development projects and quality assurance programs associated with the Specialty.

### **Key Relationships/Interactions:**

#### Internal

- Work as part of a multidisciplinary team on a day-to-day basis.
- Liaise with internal hospital departments regarding incoming and outgoing referrals and transfers.
- Liaise with different hospital departments regarding services such as Pathology, Radiology, Emergency, Outpatient and Theatre services.
- Ensuring consumers can exercise their rights and responsibilities.
- Ensuring that patients and families are given adequate information upon which to base treatment decisions and follow up.
- Provide a professional, informative and caring service to patients and their families.
- Being responsive to complaints from patients and their relatives.
- Provide supervision, teaching and mentoring of junior medical staff within the unit.

### External

- Liaise with referring practitioners from the community regarding incoming and outgoing referrals admissions and discharges.
- Provide professional, informative and caring services to patients and their families.
- Participate in education sessions provided to medical practitioners in the community i.e. GP Training sessions.

### Challenges associated with Role:

Major challenges currently associated with the role include:

• Will be required to participate on the after hour's on-call roster on a regular basis.

### **Delegations:**

Delegated Level in accordance with CALHN's Delegation of Authority Document.

# **Key Result Area and Responsibilities**

Key Result Areas	Major Responsibilities		
Clinical	To engage in clinical practice as determined by the Director and Senior Consultant Staff.  To be involved in the after-hours roster on a regular basis.  To ensure a high standard of clinical practice of Resident Medical Officers in the Department/Unit.  To organise and implement clinical review programs as part of quality assurance, including preparation of reports.  Responsibility for outpatient and inpatient day to day clinical care of patients under the direct supervision of nominated Consultant Specialists.		
Supervision	<ul> <li>To work under the supervision of the Director/Head of Unit and nominated Senior Medical Staff attached to the Department/Unit.</li> <li>Assist in the supervision, discipline, attendance, training, safety and efficiency of Resident Medical Staff attached to the Department.</li> </ul>		
Quality Assurance	<ul> <li>Participate in activities which review and evaluate the care being given to patients and assist to the development of corrective strategies as required following these reviews.</li> <li>To undertake Continuous Quality Management activities within the Department</li> </ul>		
Teaching	<ul> <li>To assist in the implementation of postgraduate teaching program with responsibilities to the Training Supervisor representing the relevant specialty College at the hospital.</li> <li>Participating and contributing to the departmental teaching program as directed by consultant staff and as required by the relevant specialty College.</li> </ul>		
Research	Participate in clinical and scientific research by: -  Proposing and developing research initiatives relating to the specialty.  Conducting research related to the specialty.  Promoting where possible the departments research profile at state, national and international forum.		
Administrative	<ul> <li>Contribute and participate in the efficient and effective function of the Department by:</li> <li>Adhering to hospital policies and procedures.</li> <li>Actively keeping abreast of all policy and procedural changes as they occur.</li> <li>Observing and adhering to Equal Opportunity and Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare principles.</li> <li>Other duties as directed by supervisory and administrative staff members.</li> </ul>		
Other	<ul> <li>Undertaking Orientation to the hospital and Department/Unit</li> <li>To demonstrate knowledge and a commitment of patient's rights and responsibilities with regard to health care provision.</li> </ul>		

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	<ul> <li>To demonstrate an understanding of confidentiality and information security policies and procedures.</li> </ul>		
	To contribute towards the provision of a safe and health work environment for self and others by:		
	Reporting all accidents, incidents and near misses.		
	<ul> <li>Complying with reasonable instructions or procedures aimed at protecting the health and safety of themselves and others; and</li> </ul>		
OHS&W	<ul> <li>Carrying out responsibilities as directed in occupational health, safety and injury management policies and procedures. Observing and adhering to Equal Opportunity and Occupational Health, Safety and Welfare principles.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Other duties as directed by supervisory and administrative staff members.</li> </ul>		

# Knowledge, Skills and Experience

## **ESSENTIAL MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

### **Educational/Vocational Qualifications:**

 MBBS or equivalent degree registerable with the Medical Board of South Australia Primary

# Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

Proven experience in:

- Investigation and negotiating skills, resolution of complaints.
- Supervising, directing and controlling staff.
- Fostering a working relationship with patients, their families and other staff which demonstrates courtesy, respect, consideration, empathy, honesty, openness, providing good service, promoting health and promoting the goals of the institution.
- Assisting in the coordination, direction and control the medical service of the hospital.
- · Communicating effectively both verbally and in writing.
- Demonstrating clinical skills appropriate for duties in the department/unit.

### **Experience:**

In supervision of staff.

# Knowledge:

- Knowledge of health unit structures and functions of a large hospital
- Knowledge of health unit, systems, policies, procedures and inter-relationship of various hospital services and departments.
- Knowledge of Equal Opportunity and Occupational Health and Safety principles.

# **DESIRABLE CHARACTERISTICS**

### **Educational/Vocational Qualifications:**

- FRACS (or equivalent) in relevant specialty, registerable with the Medical Board of South Australia.
- Demonstrated participation in continuing medical education since attaining specialist qualification.

# Personal Abilities/Aptitudes/Skills:

• Willingness to participate in research.

# **Experience:**

Participation in Education and Research Programs

# Knowledge:

• Understanding of philosophy/principles/goals of the Central Northern Adelaide Health Service and the relevant specialty.

### **Special Conditions:**

- It is mandatory that no person, whether or not already working in SA Health, may be appointed to a position in SA Health unless they have provided a satisfactory current Criminal and Relevant History Screening, as required by the SA Health Criminal and Relevant History Screening Policy Directive.
- For appointment in a Prescribed Position under the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Act (2016), a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) is required from the Department for Human Services Screening Unit. For other positions, a satisfactory National Police Certificate (NPC) assessment is required.
- For 'Prescribed Positions' under the Child Safety (Prohibited Persons) Act (2016), the individual's WWCCs must be renewed every 5 years from the date of issue; and for 'Approved Aged Care Provider Positions' every 3 years from date of issue as required by the Accountability Principles 2014 issued pursuant to the Aged Care Act 1997 (Cth).
- Appointment is subject to immunisation risk category requirements. There may be ongoing immunisation requirements that must be met.
- Depending on work requirements the incumbent may be transferred to other locations across SA Health
  to perform work appropriate to classification, skills and capabilities either on a permanent or temporary
  basis subject to relevant provisions of the *Public Sector Act 2009* for Public Sector employees or the
  SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual for Health Care Act employees.
- The incumbent may be required to participate in Counter Disaster activities including attendance, as required, at training programs and exercises to develop the necessary skills required to participate in responses in the event of a disaster and/or major incident.

### **General Requirements:**

Managers and staff are required to work in accordance with the Code of Ethics for South Australian Public Sector, Directives, Determinations and Guidelines, and legislative requirements including but not limited to:

- Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA) maintaining your own health and safety and not place others at
  risk and comply with any reasonable instruction that is given to allow SA Health to comply with the WHS
  Act, and when relevant WHS Defined Officers must meet due diligence requirements.
- Return to Work Act 2014 (SA), facilitating the recovery, maintenance or early return to work of employees with work related injury / illness.
- Meet immunisation requirements as outlined by the Immunisation for Health Care Workers in South Australia Policy Directive.
- Equal Employment Opportunities (including prevention of bullying, harassment and intimidation).
- Children and Young People (Safety) Act 2017 (SA) 'Notification of Abuse or Neglect'.
- Disability Discrimination.
- Independent Commissioner Against Corruption Act 2012 (SA).
- Information Privacy Principles Instruction.
- Relevant Awards, Enterprise Agreements, Public Sector Act 2009, Health Care Act 2008 and the SA Health (Health Care Act) Human Resources Manual.
- Relevant Australian Standards.
- Duty to maintain confidentiality.
- Smoke Free Workplace.
- To value and respect the needs and contributions of SA Health Aboriginal staff and clients, and commit to the development of Aboriginal cultural competence across all SA Health practice and service delivery.
- Applying the principles of the South Australian Government's Risk Management Policy to work as appropriate.

The SA Health workforce contributes to the safety and quality of patient care by adhering to the South Australian Charter of Health Care Rights, understanding the intent of the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards and participating in quality improvement activities as necessary.

### **Performance Development:**

The incumbent will be required to participate in the organisation's Performance Review and Development Program which will include a regular review of the incumbent's performance against the responsibilities and key result areas associated with their position and a requirement to demonstrate appropriate behaviours which reflect a commitment to SA Health values and strategic directions.

### **Handling of Official Information:**

By virtue of their duties, SA Health employees frequently access, otherwise deal with, and/or are aware of, information that needs to be treated as confidential.

SA Health employees will not access or attempt to access official information, including confidential patient information other than in connection with the performance by them of their duties and/or as authorised.

SA Health employees will not misuse information gained in their official capacity.

SA Health employees will maintain the integrity and security of official or confidential information for which they are responsible. Employees will also ensure that the privacy of individuals is maintained and will only release or disclose information in accordance with relevant legislation, industrial instruments, policy, or lawful and reasonable direction.

#### White Ribbon:

SA Health has a position of zero tolerance towards men's violence against women in the workplace and the broader community. In accordance with this, the incumbent must at all times act in a manner that is non-threatening, courteous, and respectful and will comply with any instructions, policies, procedures or guidelines issued by SA Health regarding acceptable workplace behaviour.

#### Resilience:

SA Health employees persevere to achieve goals, stay calm under pressure and are open to feedback.

# **Organisational Context**

#### **Organisational Overview:**

At CALHN we are shaping the future of health with world-class care and world-class research. This is fundamental in assisting us to achieve our vision of becoming one of the top five performing health services in Australia and one of the top 50 performing health services in the world within five years.

We are part of SA Health, which is the brand name for the public health system. As a system SA Health's mission is to lead and deliver a comprehensive and sustainable health system that aims to ensure healthier, longer and better lives for all South Australians. We will achieve our objectives by strengthening primary health care, enhancing hospital care, reforming mental health care and improving the health of Aboriginal people.

SA Health is committed to a health system that produces positive health outcomes by focusing on health promotion, illness prevention and early intervention. We will work with other government agencies and the community to address the environmental, socioeconomic, biological and behavioural determinants of health, and to achieve equitable health outcomes for all South Australians.

### **Our Legal Entities:**

SA Health is the brand name for the health portfolio of services and agencies responsible to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing. The Department for Health and Wellbeing is an administrative unit under the Public Sector Act 2009.

The legal entities include but are not limited to the Central Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Northern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Southern Adelaide Local Health Network Inc., Women's and Children's Health Network Inc., Barossa Hills Fleurieu Local Health Network Inc., Eyre and Far North Local Health Network Inc., Flinders and Upper North Local Health Network Inc., Limestone Coast Local Health Network Inc., Riverland Mallee Coorong Local Health Network Inc., Yorke and Northern Local Health Network Inc.and SA Ambulance Service Inc.

#### SA Health Challenges:

The health system is facing the challenges of an ageing population, increased incidence of chronic disease, workforce shortages, and ageing infrastructure. The SA Health Care Plan has been developed to meet these challenges and ensure South Australian's have access to the best available health care in hospitals, health care centres and through GPs and other providers.

### Central Adelaide Local Health Network:

Established in July 2011, CALHN is one of five Local Health Networks (LHNs) in South Australia and we are accountable to the Central Adelaide Local Health Network Governing Board. Our board has oversight of our strategy, risk management, governance and performance, and works with our Chief Executive Officer to provide strategic direction for our network.

CALHN is responsible for the following health services:

- Royal Adelaide Hospital (RAH)
- The Queen Elizabeth Hospital (TQEH)
- Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre (HRC)
- St Margaret's Rehabilitation Hospital (SMRH)
- Glenside Health Service (GHS) Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit, Inpatient Rehabilitation Services and Acute beds only
- Adelaide Dental Hospital (ADH)

CALHN also has governance over numerous community mental health and primary health services including Prison Health Service, SA Dental Service and DonateLife SA. Of note also is governance of the Statewide Clinical Support Services (SCSS) including SA Medical Imaging (SAMI), SA Pathology SA Pharmacy and BreastScreenSA, responsibility of which has vacillated between CALHN and DHW over the past few years.

CALHN is one of three metropolitan LHNs and its core population is approximately 390,000 people. CALHN also provides services to patients from other SA networks, rural and remote areas, the Northern Territory, NSW (Broken Hill) and western parts of Victoria. These services usually relate to complex services such as head and neck cancer, radiation therapy, cardiac surgery, spinal surgery or rehabilitation.

CALHN's purpose is to deliver quality and sustainable healthcare. While the delivery of high-quality patient care is our number one priority, underpinning our goals is good governance, improved patient experience, business operations, efficiency and financial performance and more accountable and contemporary ways of working.

To find out more about CALHN, visit centraladelaide.health.sa.gov.au

### **Values**

#### **Central Adelaide Local Health Network Values**

Our values, together with our vison and ambitions provide direction for everything that happens across our network. They outline who we are, what we stand for, what our consumers and their families can expect from us and what we can expect from each other. They guide our decisions and actions.

Values	Behaviours	
People first	<ul> <li>I am there for my patients and colleagues when they need me most.</li> <li>I put myself in my patients and colleagues shoes to understand their needs.</li> <li>I go out of my way to make sure my patients and colleagues achieve the best outcome and have a great experience.</li> <li>I respect uniqueness in my colleagues, our patients and their families.</li> </ul>	
Ideas driven	<ul> <li>I look and listen to ensure I fully understand the problem and find a solution.</li> <li>I look for ways to break-down barriers and silos to hear new perspectives and solve complex problems.</li> <li>I invest in my own learning and look for opportunities to explore and introduce new ideas.</li> <li>I am interested in critical research and how it informs creative thinking.</li> </ul>	
Future focussed	<ul> <li>I embrace leading practices and use them to evolve our ways of working.</li> <li>I lead and support change to improve patient and organisational outcomes.</li> <li>I am constantly on the look-out for opportunities to improve.</li> </ul>	
Community minded	<ul> <li>I put my hand up to lead work that matters.</li> <li>I am accountable and focused on value.</li> <li>I value and champion diversity.</li> <li>I embrace collaboration and constructive partnerships.</li> </ul>	

#### **SA Health Values**

The values of SA Health are used to indicate the type of conduct required by our employees and the conduct that our customers can expect from our health service:

- We are committed to the values of integrity, respect and accountability.
- We value care, excellence, innovation, creativity, leadership and equity in health care provision and health outcomes.
- We demonstrate our values in our interactions with others in SA Health, the community, and those for whom
  we care.

#### Code of Ethics

The Code of Ethics for the South Australian Public Sector provides an ethical framework for the public sector and applies to all public service employees.

- Democratic Values Helping the government, under the law to serve the people of South Australia.
- Service, Respect and Courtesy Serving the people of South Australia.
- Honesty and Integrity- Acting at all times in such a way as to uphold the public trust.
- Accountability- Holding ourselves accountable for everything we do.
- Professional Conduct Standards- Exhibiting the highest standards of professional conduct.

As a public sector employee, you have a responsibility to maintain ethical behaviour and professional integrity standards. It is expected that you act in accordance with the Code of Ethics, and contribute to a culture of integrity within SA Health.

profession.		
Role Acceptanc	e	
Employee Acceptance		
I have read and understor of SA Health as outlined	•	n role, the organisational context and the values
Name:	Signature:	Date:
Approvals		
Role Description Dele	gate Approval	
I acknowledge that the r	ole I currently occupy has the delegate	d authority to authorise this document.

**Role Title:** 

Date:

The Code recognises that some public sector employees are also bound by codes of conduct relevant to their

Name:

Signature: