2011 OVERSEAS SURGICAL FELLOWSHIPS

The Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland, in partnership with the British Journal of Surgery Society Ltd, are offering Fellowships to sponsor UK surgeons wishing to work in a developing country, primarily in the least developed countries, on a short-term basis.

The purpose of the Fellowships is to provide training and support for overseas medical schools in the development of their postgraduate training programmes and, thereby, establishing links with these centres.

Principles
The principles of the Overseas Surgical Fellowships are:

- To establish links with surgical centres in developing countries. These links are to provide the opportunity for teaching and postgraduate training of surgeons overseas and, where appropriate, to encourage the exchange of surgeons.
- In order to allow at least five Fellowships each year, a maximum grant of £2000 will be awarded to each successful applicant.
- A written report will be required on completion of the Fellowship and award winners will be invited to display a poster at the Association’s Annual Scientific Meeting. The Association reserves the right to submit any report it considers suitable for publication to the British Journal of Surgery.

Eligibility
All Fellows of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland are eligible to apply for these Fellowships. However, the scheme may be more attractive to:

- Specialist registrars (years 5 - 6) wishing to broaden their surgical horizons prior to taking a consultant post in the UK.
- Surgeons nearing retirement wishing to undertake a short-term sabbatical (3-6 weeks).
- Surgeons who have recently retired.

Applications
A full CV should be submitted giving details of past and current appointments including any related work in developing countries. A detailed account of the proposed programme, including full itinerary, costs involved and objectives to be achieved, together with supporting correspondence is required. Details of other organisations approached for funding should also be stated when submitting the application. Fellowship Applications will be assessed and awarded twice a year. The Overseas Surgical Fellowship Committee will pay particular attention to the appropriateness, relevance and feasibility of the proposed programme. The next closing date for applications is Friday 24th June 2011.

Applications should be submitted to:-

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