National Breast Imaging Academy

Radiology Fellowship Programme

What is the NBIA radiology fellowship programme?

The NBIA breast fellowship programme is a new and exciting training opportunity which has been part-funded by Health Education England (HEE) and developed in conjunction with several leading breast units across the country. It is designed to promote excellence in breast imaging, challenge the most talented individuals, provide the leaders, educators and researchers of the future and provide a route into breast imaging for radiologists with no previous experience in breast.

This post-CCT fellowship programme is set to run for three consecutive years with an intake of ten fellows per year, starting in 2019.

What are the aims of the fellowship programme?

- Offer a gold-standard training opportunity in breast radiology
- Use the pooled expertise and experience of the breast imaging community to provide enhanced training
- Equip talented fellows to become the leaders, educators and researchers of the future
- · Provide a route into breast imaging for radiologists with no previous experience in breast

How long are the fellowships?

The duration of the fellowship is 12 months if working full time (or the equivalent duration if working less than full time).

Who can apply?

- UK radiologists who have achieved their CCT
- UK radiology trainees who are due to achieve their CCT prior to the fellowship start date
- Overseas radiologists with equivalent qualifications (subject to meeting the International Sponsorship Scheme criteria if applicable)

How will it work?

NBIA breast radiology fellows will undergo a competitive centralised recruitment process to be placed in eligible breast units across England, where the majority of their training will be delivered. This will be supplemented by bespoke study blocks where the fellows come together to receive expert teaching and benefit from networking opportunities. Fellows who are interested in developing their skills in research, leadership and teaching will be encouraged to do so and the NBIA will facilitate access to opportunities to progress in these areas.

Which breast unit will I be placed in?

If you are shortlisted you will be provided with a list of eligible host centres prior to interview and asked to rank them in order of preference. If you are successful at interview, you will be scored and matched in rank order to your preferred breast unit.





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What are the timelines?

- Applications now open: https://www.jobs.nhs.uk/xi/vacancy/?vac_ref=915513822
- Closing date: 29th April 2019
- Shortlisting: May 2019
- Interviews: 3rd June 2019 in Bristol
- Fellowship start date: September 2019 onwards

What can I expect from the fellowship?

NBIA radiology fellowships are specifically designed to be single subspeciality training opportunities in breast imaging. Fellows will train in various aspects of breast imaging whilst supporting local radiology service delivery. On call is not a requirement of the fellowship, however if there is a service need this will be negotiated locally.

How will I be supervised?

You will have an identified Educational Supervisor who will monitor your progress throughout the year and provide the NBIA panel with an end of year evaluation document.

Do I have to move location in order to take up the fellowship?

Prior to interview you will be asked to rank the host centres in order of preference. The process of matching fellows to chosen host centres will be based on interview scores. Candidates with the highest scores are most likely to be matched to their preferred unit. It is possible that you may be matched to a breast unit outside of your chosen location.

Do I have to contact my preferred host centre to express interest?

As the recruitment and matching process is centralised, you are not required to contact your preferred breast units to express an interest. However, if you wish to visit a particular breast unit to gain more insight and information about what they offer, you are welcome to do so and contact details will be made available from the NBIA on request.

How can I find out more?

- Email: breastacademy@mft.nhs.uk
- Website: www.nationalbreastimagingacademy.org



