

RUN DESCRIPTION

POSITION:	Senior House Officer
DEPARTMENT:	Obstetrics & Gynaecology
PLACE OF WORK:	Auckland City Hospital
RESPONSIBLE TO:	Service Clinical Director and General Manager of National Women's Health, through a nominated Consultant.
FUNCTIONAL RELATIONSHIPS:	Healthcare consumer, Hospital and community based healthcare workers
PRIMARY OBJECTIVE:	To facilitate the management of patients under the care of the National Women's Health Service. To provide pre-vocational training in preparation for an O&G registrar position.
RUN PERIOD:	6 months

Section 1: House Officer's Responsibilities

<i>Area</i>	<i>Responsibilities</i>
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Senior House Officer will function as an important part of the clinical team lead by a Team Leader. Clinical responsibility will be to the Senior Medical Officers of that team through the team's Registrars; as well as to those of other teams with which the Senior House Officer may be rostered from time to time. The Senior House Officer will attend acute and elective admissions to the department, construct a problem list and request basic investigations and discuss management plans with the Registrar/ Specialist Inpatients will be attended daily on week days and the Senior House Officer will be available for ward rounds performed by the Consultant and/ or Registrar (unless detained by a clinical emergency). The Senior House Officer will be available to attend patients at the request of the nursing or midwifery staff within the hours rostered The Senior House Officer will ensure hand-over of any relevant patient problems to the On Call team House Officer/Senior House Officer at the change of duty. The Senior House Officer will ensure handover of patients back to their original team. The Senior House Officer will attend the Labour and Birth Unit and Women's

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	<p>Assessment Unit when rostered and admit patients and attend to any problems as requested by the Registrar and/ or Nursing and Midwifery staff and will be responsible for updating the Electronic Whiteboard for handover. The Senior House Officer may be asked to provide registrar cover for specific duties with appropriate support.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Senior House Officer will attend outpatient Antenatal and Gynaecology Clinics as indicated by their Daily Schedules. (Promptly and for the duration thereof), to assess patient problems and initiate or review management plans and investigations in consultation with the Registrar/ Specialist. • The Senior House Officer will assist in Theatre when requested by the Registrar/ Specialist or when indicated by the Daily Schedule. The Senior House Officer is expected to assist at all caesarean sections unless required urgently elsewhere in the service.
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legible notes will be written in patient charts in outpatient clinics, on admission, daily and whenever management changes are made • The Senior House Officer will complete an electronic discharge summary promptly for all gynaecology antenatal and complicated postnatal patients before discharge. Patients will receive a copy of the clinical summary at discharge, ± prescription and/ or follow up appointment if required. • A letter will be dictated to the patient's GP after each Gynaecological outpatient visit, and at any antenatal visit where there is a referral from an external practitioner. • The Senior House Officer will be responsible to ensure signoff of all outstanding Radiology and Lab results for their team in collaboration with the Registrars and House Officers in their team.

Section 2: Training and Education

Details

- There will be a minimum of 2 hours of education per week including ward meetings, Departmental CME, Perinatal Mortality, Maternal morbidity, and CTG Meetings. Diagnosis and treatment of common O&G problems will be discussed.
- The Senior House Officer should attend FRANZCOG teaching when their clinical duties allow.
- The Senior House Officer is strongly encouraged to take part in departmental research and audits during their rotation.
- Where appropriate and under supervision the Senior House Officer will be provided with opportunities to undertake Registrar duties to assist in their training and development.
- Although a non-training position, the Senior House Officer will be allocated a training supervisor from within the department for the duration of their run. The Senior House Officer should liaise with this supervisor regarding training requirements, appropriate courses and educational activities they should participate in.
- BFHI training must be completed by all health professionals working in Women's Health during the run, if not previously undertaken and up to date.

Section 3: Roster

Details

- The ordinary hours of work will be 8 hours per day between 0800 and 1600 Monday to Friday. Night duties run from 2200 to 0800. After hours long day duties run from 1600 to 2230.
- No more than two House Officers/Senior House Officers should be on leave at any time except in exceptional circumstances, as approved by the Service Clinical Director and Women's Health General Manager.
- Cover for annual leave will be negotiated prior to leave being approved.
- All requests for educational leave are subject to approval by the Service Clinical Director and to authorisation by the General Manager of Women's Health.
- Applications for education leave must be submitted well in advance to facilitate cover arrangements.
- The Chief Resident Officer in conjunction with the Service Clinical Directors for Womens Health will determine the daily and weekly schedule for the Senior House Officer, balancing service need with the individual's development and training needs.

Section 4: Cover:

Other Resident and Specialist Cover

- There are 10 House Officers and 2 Senior House Officers employed on the roster, plus 2 relief positions.
- During ordinary hours, there are 9 House Officers on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 House officers on Wednesday and 8 House Officers on Friday contributing to the O&G roster.
- Two Registrars will be resident in the hospital at all times with two Consultants always available on call to attend the hospital if requested (in the hospital from 0800-1700 weekdays, and on call-back at all other times).
- The Department employs two leave relievers to cover absence from work on planned leave. Annual leave cover is arranged on a 'first come first served' basis and applications for annual leave should be submitted as early as possible. Short-term sick absence is covered within the Department unless the reliever is available.
- The main role of the reliever is to cover the duties of the House Officer or Senior House Officer taking planned leave.
- The relievers are also expected to cover Neonates.

Section 5: Performance appraisal

<i>Senior House Officer</i>	<i>Service</i>
<p><i>The Senior House Officer will:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At the outset of the run meet with their designated Clinical supervisor to discuss their learning objectives and expectations for the run, review and assessment times, and one on one teaching time. • After any assessment that identified deficiencies, implement a corrective plan of action in consultation with their Clinical Supervisor. 	<p><i>The service will provide,</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An initial meeting between the Clinical Supervisor and Senior House Officer to discuss learning objectives and expectations for the run, review and assessment times, and one on one teaching time; • A mid-run meeting and assessment report on the Senior House Officer six (6) weeks into the run, after discussion between the Senior House Officer and the Clinical Supervisor responsible for them; • The opportunity to discuss any deficiencies identified during the attachment. The Clinical Supervisor responsible for the Senior House Officer will bring these to the Senior House Officer's attention, and discuss and implement an agreed plan of action to correct them; • An end of run meeting and final assessment report on the House Officer, a copy of which is to be sighted and signed by the Senior House Officer.

Section 6: Hours and Salary Category

<i>Average Working Hours</i>		<i>Service Commitments</i>
Basic hours (Mon-Fri)	40	Together, the Service with the RMO Support Unit will be responsible for the preparation of any Rosters.
Rostered additional hours (inc. weekends & long days)	17.41	
All other unrostered hours	3.63	
Total hours per week	61.04	

Salary The salary for this attachment is a Category **B**.