



COMMONWEALTH EYE HEALTH CONSORTIUM

CEHC FELLOWSHIPS CRITERIA

Fellows are expected to return to their hospitals and training institutions and put into practice their newly acquired expertise. They will need to ensure backing from their own institution including a job when they return and appropriate equipment and resourcing for their specialty. This may include a service agreement with their employer and/or MoH for an agreed guarantee of work placement following their training.

The Clinical Fellowship Programme will comprise one-year Fellowships, aimed at relatively junior ophthalmologists, and three-month Fellowships, largely aimed at more senior ophthalmologists, from Commonwealth countries.

CRITERIA

Essential - the ophthalmologist must:

- be from an institution in a Commonwealth country in which there is a demonstrable need for enhanced eye care
- have completed specialist ophthalmology training and a higher exam in ophthalmology by the time the fellowship begins
- have letters of support from the head of department* and the hospital executive director stating that this fellowship will provide relevant, positive and desirable training in their context and that the fellow will be properly resourced (with a position, facilities and equipment) to develop their clinical specialty on their return.

*or most appropriate senior person should the applicant themselves be head of department

Desirable - the applicant should:

- be within 5 years of completing the above qualifications (or may be more senior in the case of short term-fellowships to enhance or update specialist skills)
- work (substantially) in a government hospital, university hospital or NGO unit
- have a role in training others.