

Call for Applications

Prostate Scotland, in association with The Urology Foundation, invites applications for Scottish Prostatic Robotic Fellowship and Clinical Visit Awards

Prostate Scotland completed a successful appeal and raised nearly £3 million to introduce robotic surgery and robotic surgery programmes in the East and West of Scotland. In 2018 Prostate Scotland awarded the first Scottish Fellowship and Clinical Visits Awards to support the robotic surgery programme in Scotland and we are now pleased to launch the second round of these Awards which is aimed at increasing the number of urologists in Scotland trained in robotic assisted prostate cancer surgery. Prostate Scotland is very pleased to be working in association with The Urology Foundation on this project.

Since 2011 The Urology Foundation (TUF) has been in the vanguard of promoting robotic surgery training among urologists, enabling them to gain sufficient practise to ensure proficiency and safety, and to help speed up the ability to offer robotic surgery to patients in need. The training has had a positive impact and TUF is pleased to have helped develop successful robotic programmes across the UK.

Prostate Scotland, in association with TUF is now seeking to make up to two awards for “[The Prostate Scotland Scottish Prostatic Robotic Fellowship](#)”. Worth £10,000 each, this funding would provide additional support for Robotic Surgery Fellows to undertake training, travel to conferences, take part in research and to publish research and/or outcomes data. Applications are sought from trainees and consultant urologists working in Scotland or moving to work in Scotland wishing to undertake a prostate robotic fellowship as a joint application with a recognised robotic centre within the UK or Europe.

In addition up to two awards of £1750 for a [Clinical Visit to an institution](#) to learn about and experience and observe robotic assisted prostate surgery in another institution is available for trainees and consultants in Scotland. The visits would be to institutions approved by TUF or EAU located in the UK and Europe.

[Applications for the awards are open to:](#)



- Applicants working in Scotland who wish to undertake a fellowship/training in robot assisted prostate surgery in 2020;
- Centres which have a robotic fellowship/training programme in place in prostatic surgery

Applications should consist of the names and brief CVs of the Fellow, the unit's key Robotic Urology team, their areas of specialism and a statement consisting of no more than four sides of A4, setting out:

- How they would use the Prostate Scotland/ TUF funding, demonstrating the added value it would bring to treatment of prostate cancer in Scotland
- Clear training and/or research objectives during the Fellowship
- The annual number and type of urological cases their host unit performs robotically
- The type of support and opportunities the host unit can offer the Fellow
- In the case of the Clinical Visits programme applicants will need to set out their key objectives from such a visit - how it would assist them in their learning about robotic assisted prostate cancer surgery
- An intention/expectation to continue practising in Scotland for a minimum of two years post Fellowship will be desirable

Applications will be considered by The Urology Foundation's Science & Education Committee and by Prostate Scotland clinical reviewers and should be emailed to: omorris@theurologyfoundation.org

For further information about Prostate Scotland and The Urology Foundation and to download an application form go to theurologyfoundation.org/professionals or <https://www.prostatescotland.org.uk/for-professionals> or email Oliver on omorris@theurologyfoundation.org



Deadline for applications: 14 June 2019