



The Arthritis Australia/Zimmer Biomet Orthopaedic Fellowship Program

In keeping with its mission of promoting medical education, Arthritis Australia has initiated the **Arthritis Australia/Zimmer Biomet Orthopaedic Fellowship Program**. The Program, supported by Zimmer Biomet Pty Ltd, will promote best practice treatment for arthritis sufferers.

The Program provides the opportunity for supervisors to improve their instructional skills and enhance the international exchange of orthopaedic knowledge and skills. The Program will also help institutions to achieve their own educational goals and objectives.

The Fellowship positions range from six months to one year. Each Fellowship will be awarded AUD27,500 for a six-month period or AUD55,000 for one year. The Fellowship award will be transferred to the host institution as an educational grant. The number of Fellowships available is subject to change annually. Due to the popularity of this program only one fellowship application can be submitted per institution per funding year. A fellow may only be funded for a total of 12 months, irrespective of the institution attended. Applications may be submitted for consideration by 30 April each year.

Eligibility and Criteria for Applications

To be eligible to participate in the Program interested institutions must meet the following criteria to apply for the Program:

1. Institutions should submit an expression of interest by completing the Institution application form including copies of each supervisor's CV.
2. Provide details of a structured fellow training program schedule or position outline that is relevant to the skills and experience of the supervisors.
3. Institutions should submit a fellow application form, a fellow CV and two independent references.
4. The fellowship program must contain at least 50% arthroplasty in the specified activity to be eligible. Written confirmation of this requirement must be made at time of application by the supervisor.
5. Applications should be submitted well in advance of commencement of fellowship. Late applications will not be accepted.
6. An Institution may not re-submit an application for a fellow who has previously been awarded a fellowship for 12 months.
7. The Program is not open to overseas institutions unless supporting an Australian/NZ fellow.
8. Fully funded fellowship positions will not be accepted.
9. Grant funds can be used towards salaries, research projects, books, dues, journals, educational courses (including online courses, self-assessment courses etc.) and other learning aids.
10. Following approval of a fellowship where funding has been received from Arthritis Australia, the fellow must complete the entire duration as awarded. If a fellow or supervisor, who has already received funding, terminates this fellowship, any unused funds must be returned to Arthritis Australia.

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