

**AUSTRALASIAN ACADEMY OF FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY  
FELLOWSHIP IN FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY**

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**Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery**  
**Aesthetic Plastic Surgery**  
**Head & Neck, Nasal & Rhinoplasty Surgery**

**INTRODUCTION**

Beginning on Monday of the 3<sup>rd</sup> week January of each year, Dr. Pham offers a twelve-month Fellowship in the area of Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery and Aesthetic Plastic Surgery. This is a formal Fellowship accredited by the Australasian Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery (AAFPS). The Fellowship focuses on a wide range clinical experience such that on completion the Fellow will have enhanced knowledge of and skills for managing the simple and complex clinical problems related to the field. The Fellowship encompass the almost the full spectrum of Reconstructive and Cosmetic Facial Plastic & General Aesthetic Surgery in addition to general Nasal, Head & Neck Oncology Surgery. The Fellow will also have completed a research project that may be unique or address the unanswered questions in Facial Plastic Surgery and present a paper at a National or International Facial Plastic or Otolaryngology Head & Neck Meeting, or a written article to be publish in a peer review journal.

This one full year Fellowship with Dr. Pham as a preceptor, in his Private Practice and with exposure to Department of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, Royal Perth Hospital. The Fellowship is self-funded with surgical assistant fee available to Australian qualified specialists through Medicare Benefit Schedule and Private Health Fund. The emphasis will be on facial cosmetic surgery in particular rhinoplasty and facial rejuvenation surgery including facelift, blepharoplasty, browlift, otoplasty, cheek and chin augmentation; facial reconstructive surgery predominantly in facial skin cancers and head neck cancer, facial nerve rehabilitation, facial scar revision; facial injectable fillers and wrinkle relaxer; and non surgical skin rejuvenation. The fellow will generally be exposed to more than 500 Facial Plastic & Reconstructive cases during the full year of fellowship. In addition, Dr Pham also specialise in general Aesthetic / Cosmetic Plastic Surgery, Head & Neck Oncology, Nasal Surgery including endoscopic sinus surgery.

The Fellow is expected to perform all clinical photography, video recording and editing, computing imaging morphing of patients. The Fellow will work under the direction of Dr. Pham who is the Principle and Medical Director at his Perth Facial Plastic & Cosmetic Surgery and Churchill Day Surgery and as the Consultant in the Department of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, Royal Perth Hospital. The Fellowship at this stage is limited to Australasian Fellow of Royal Australasian College of Surgeons

(Australia and New Zealand) and registered as a specialist. International Candidate will be considered on case by case basis. The fellowship is unfunded for international fellow.

There is an opportunity for the Fellow who is the Australian Registered Specialist to work as a Locum Consultant at Royal Perth Hospital, Department of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery for 2 sessions per week. He / she will be remunerated accordingly. The Fellow can participate in private locum for another Otolaryngologist Head & Neck Surgeon while Dr Pham is away.

The Fellow must be a member of the Australasian Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery (special nominal rate for Registrars) and must complete the American Board of Facial Plastic Surgery examination as sponsored by the Australasian Academy of Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery (ABFPRS) / International Federation of Facial Plastic Surgical Societies (IFFPSS) in June, the year of completing the Fellowship. On successful completion of the examination the Fellow will be presented a formal AAFPS and Dr Pham Fellowship Certificate.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Advance Training in Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery of the RACS provides their registrars with limited surgical experience in performing Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery. Although the training often excels in the academic and theoretical knowledge of general Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery many Registrars have limited exposure to the area of Facial Reconstructive and Facial Aesthetic Surgery. This is a hand on, one to one Fellowship allowing the Fellow to learn a greater breadth of clinical knowledge, surgical judgment, pre-operative assessment at the time of consultation and post-operative long-term management of patients and their problems. The Fellow will be expected to provide teaching to Registrars and conduct stimulating research to enable he / her to be the next generation of Facial Plastic Surgeon and preceptor.

## **AIMS**

### **PRIMARY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

To improve the Fellow's academic knowledge and surgical judgment and experience in all areas of Facial Plastic Surgery to achieve enhanced patient outcome.

To stimulate the Fellow's interest in some of the unanswered questions in the area of Facial Plastic Surgery.

To enhance the development of an investigative mind and further research in this area will be accomplished.

To pass the American Academy Board of Facial Plastic Surgery Examinations as sponsored by AAFPS as an International Candidate / IFFPSS.

To be the next generation of Facial Plastic Surgery preceptor.

### **SECONDARY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

To assess and measure of patient outcome.

To become an independent thinker in the area of Facial Plastic Surgery.

To become a valuable member of the Facial Plastic Surgery community, wherever he/she should practice.

To write a minimum of TWO papers per year on topics related to research or clinical experience or present at a National / International Conference.

To teach Facial Plastic Surgery theory and skills to the Registrars in Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery.

To supervise Registrars (with the aid of Dr. Pham) in his Department of Otolaryngology Head & Neck Surgery, Royal Perth Hospital patients.

## **FELLOWSHIP QUALIFICATIONS**

The candidate must have completed the FRACS training program in Otolaryngology – Head and Neck Surgery

## **FELLOWSHIP RULES**

The Fellow is to participate in all aspect of patient care- preoperative and post operative.

The Fellow is to cover Dr Pham’s practice when he is away.

The Fellow is recommended to take holiday when Dr Pham is away on holiday. Usually 4 weeks holiday can be taken, which include 2 weeks during Christmas and New Year annual break when Dr Pham’s practice closes.

The Fellow is expected to perform post-operative ward rounds.

There is a one-week overlap between current and in-coming Fellows for hand over.

The Fellow must have a provider number as a specialist to enable to access Assist Fee provided by Medicare Benefit Schedule and Private Health Fund

The Fellow at all time must be courteous, professionally presentable and maintain confidentiality to all patients and staffs.

All recognisable photography of Dr Pham patients is to remain confidential and cannot be use without authorisation of the patients or Dr Pham

## **APPLICATION**

To apply for the fellowship

1. Please send in your CV with 2 referees preferably from existing Australasian Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery (AAFPS) member
2. A photo of yourself attached to the CV
3. One page letter why you wish to undertake a fellowship in Facial Plastic Surgery
4. Must be a member (Registrar or Ordinary) of Australasian Academy of Facial Plastic Surgery
5. Address application to

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