



AAFPS FELLOWSHIP SUMMARY

BRISBANE FACIAL PLASTIC & RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY FELLOWSHIP

DIRECTORS:

Dr Adam Honeybrook

Specialist Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgeon
Brisbane, QLD

Dr Martin Hanson

Specialist Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgeon
Brisbane, QLD

SUMMARY:

Malpractice: The fellow is required to obtain their own medical indemnity insurance

Other: 4 weeks holiday + plus standard public holidays

Salary: \$70,000 + superannuation

Commencement date: Feb 1st each year

****Note – Fellowship applications for the 2028 clinical year have closed ****

2029 Fellowship Applications (Commencing 1/2/2029) are Due June 30, 2027, for interviews to be held between Sept/Oct 2027. For international applicants this allows adequate time to obtain medical licenses and a working visa.

OVERVIEW

This is an AAFPS-approved and IFFPSS-accredited Facial Plastic Surgery Fellowship based in Southeast Queensland, led by Fellowship Directors Dr Adam Honeybrook and Dr Martin Hanson. Both directors are Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery specialists who are US fellowship-trained and US board-certified in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery. Applications are open to Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, and Plastic Surgery applicants.

The fellowship is designed to educate and prepare qualified surgeons for successful practice in facial plastic surgery. Fellows will actively participate in all aspects of patient care, from initial consultation through surgery and final post-operative review. A typical weekly schedule consists of 3–4 operative days and 1–2 clinic days, depending on the week. The successful applicant will be expected to maintain the highest standards of patient care, professionalism, and service.

CASE LOAD:

Operative exposure is a priority. The fellow will predominantly rotate with the directors on their surgery days. The fellow's time with each director will be tailored to create a full and well-balanced facial plastic surgery experience. This experience includes all aspects of aesthetic facial plastic surgery including:



Rhinoplasty (30% revision), face lifting (preservation extended deep plane), deep structural neck lifting (platysmaplasty, submental fat, digastric and submandibular gland contouring) browlifting (lateral temporal, endoscopic, and trichophytic techniques), upper and lower blepharoplasty (transconjunctival fat excision/fat transposition), canthoplasty/canthopexy, hairline lowering, autologous fat grafting, nano fat grafting, neck liposuction and liposculpture, lip augmentation, lip lift, buccal fat reduction, facial implants, fractional CO2 facial resurfacing and otoplasty.

The fellowship will provide exposure to some aspects of reconstructive facial surgery including local cutaneous flaps to repair tissue defects following cancer resection and trauma from basic rotational and advancement flaps through to more complex flaps however the focus of this fellowship is mainly aesthetic facial plastic surgery. There will be no free flap/microvascular reconstruction in this fellowship. There is potential for the fellow to attend complex Head & Neck cancer surgeries with Dr Hanson if desired.

On non-operative days, the fellow will spend time with the directors in dedicated facial plastic surgery clinics seeing new consults and post-op patients as well as assisting with organisation of operating lists. The fellow will also have the opportunity to study for the IBCFPRS board examination on these days.

CALL RESPONSIBILITIES:

As this is a privately based fellowship, the fellow does not participate in an academic hospital on-call roster. Instead, the fellow shares responsibility with Dr Honeybrook for providing after-hours telephone advice to Dr Honeybrook's patients. The fellow can expect to receive calls or messages approximately one weekend in three, typically comprising zero to two contacts for advice. In-person call-backs are exceedingly rare.

RESEARCH

Participation in clinical research is required and supported. A publishable quality paper is to be submitted at the end of the fellowship year or shortly thereafter. Depending on the need for operative coverage, fellows will be encouraged to attend conferences to present their research.

BOARD CERTIFICATION

The fellow is required to sit the International Board Certification Examination in Facial Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery after completion of the fellowship which is held in late June of each year.

CREDENTIALLING/LICENSING REQUIREMENTS:

FRACS or international equivalency
General AHPRA Registration
RACS Short Term Training Approval for International Applicants
Hospital accreditations
Medicare Prescriber Number/ Location Provider Numbers
QLD Health Laser Licence

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The fellow will take an active role in the pre-operative, intra-operative, and post-operative management of patients, as directed by the Fellowship Directors. The fellowship provides in-depth education in all aspects of aesthetic ageing face surgery, rhinoplasty and revision rhinoplasty, and selected aspects of reconstructive facial surgery.

Respectful engagement with medical colleagues, nursing and administrative staff, patients, and their families forms the foundation of this fellowship. The fellow will also learn the business aspects of private practice and will be supported by the directors in their future endeavours to establish a successful facial plastic surgery practice.

The majority of operating lists are held at hospitals in Brisbane; however, some lists are performed on the Gold Coast, and the fellow will require access to a car to attend these lists.

HOW TO APPLY:

Please include the following in your application:

1. Curriculum Vitae
2. Two supporting reference letters
3. Cover letter addressing why you want to apply for the QLD fellowship in facial plastic surgery

Please send applications to the following email:

facialplasticsqld@gmail.com