

Pediatric surgery London, United Kingdom

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Does the center have an EBPU certified training program: No

Is the center a referral center for a disorder/operation: Yes. We are a Paediatric Urology tertiary referral centre for the south east of England. However, specific conditions such as Posterior Urethral Valves, DSD, bladder dysfunction, etc. are referred to us also from a wider region.

Number of full time staff members in Ped. Urol.: 6

Number of Ped. Urol. operations/week: 20

Number of part time staff members in Ped. Urol.: 0

Number of Ped. Urol. outpatient admissions/week: 100

Number of Ped. Urol. Fellows: 5

Number of urodynamic studies/week: 20

At what time of year and how long a fellow shall visit the center: Any time of the year is fine however, the activity is quieter in August when many people take summer holidays and in December between Christmas and New year. It is advisable to avoid these times because the intensity of work may be less compared to other times.

Fellow should stay for at least 1 month (ideally 2 or 3) to be able to familiarise with the system and to have the best chance to participate in as many activities as possible

How active can the visiting fellow be (either due to legislations or institutional circumstances): Depends on the fellow's background

Scheduled educative activities visiting fellow can attend: Our department has a rich offering of educational activities.

1) Weekly:

- Nephro-uro-radiology multidisciplinary meetings where complex cases are discussed
- Paediatric Urology Grand round: a one hour teaching session on Paediatric Urology topics (the grand round is followed by a 1 hour teaching sessions organised by Paediatric Surgery Team that the fellow can also attend)
- Uro-Bladder meeting : discussion of patients referred for bladder investigations and urodynamics
- Friday morning teaching organised by adult Urology team

2) Fortnightly :

- Complex uro-bladder meeting : multidisciplinary meeting to discuss all complex bladder cases and review invasive and non-invasive urodynamics

3) Bi-monthly:

- Fetal-Neonatal-Nephro-Urology Webinars

Our Department also organises:

- Urodynamic Webinars (presented by a Consultant Paediatric Urologist (MG) and a clinical scientist covering basic and advance topics on urodynamic)
- Mock viva courses for candidate sitting the Royal College exam in Urology and Paediatric Surgery. Fellows have the opportunity for taking part in these courses as observers.
- Study days (3-4 every year) dedicated to topics such as Posterior Urethral Valves, Invasive and non-invasive Urodynamics, Clean Intermittent Catheterisation (for Nurses), Bladder disorders

Is there a possibility some of these activities can be done in English: Yes

Cost of living in Euros for a month (including accommodation and transport considering a moderate lifestyle): 1300

Is there any facility for easy/cheap accommodation: Yes. An accommodation close to the hospital is available and it costs £455 (approx Euros 540) per month

Is there a former visitor of your center willing to be contacted: Yes. Aurora Mariani (aurora.mariani@chu-angers.fr)

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Why the fellows shall choose this center to visit: Fellows will be guaranteed a great breadth of exposure to all the key areas of Paediatric Urology. We are an enthusiastic and very busy group of surgeons who are keen to share our experience and always welcome visitors and trainees.

The Urology department at the Evelina London Children's Hospital is a busy tertiary centre in central London serving a large catchment area in the South East of England.

We provide care from the antenatal period all the way to adolescence and adulthood. Our close links with the famous Guys Urology department mean that our long term patients experience a smooth transition to the adult services.

Our Bladder service which is run by 3 full time Consultants and includes 6 clinical nurses specialist is perhaps the largest such service in the UK. We have pioneered certain therapies in children and our close links with the international children's continence society (ICCS) mean that we are very much involved in the frontline guideline and protocol setting.

As surgeons we are enthusiastic proponents of minimal access surgery and have been performing advanced laparoscopic and retroperitoneoscopic surgery for more than a decade. We see a large number of patients with neuropathic bladders and complex bladder dysfunctions and, as a result, provide a robust reconstructive urology service.

Our regions of specialist interest include:

- Posterior urethral valves

We have a large cohort of over 350 patients in our posterior urethral valves service which provides holistic multidisciplinary care with the involvement of Urologists, Nephrologists, Bladder specialists, Clinical Nurse Specialists, Transplant surgeons, Dieticians and Psychologists.

- Paediatric Stones

We provide endourology management of paediatric stones including ureterorenoscopy and PCNL. Patients are seen in a stone service which has input from nephrology and adult urology.

- Disorders of Sex Development

We provide a multidisciplinary service along with Endocrinologist, Psychologist and adolescent gynaecologist

- Neuropathic bladder
- Proximal and distal Hypospadias
- Adolescent Urology
- Congenital Abnormalities of the Kidney and Urinary tract