

## *Sydney Eye Hospital Foundation Glaucoma Fellowship*

The Fellowship is of one year duration

The Fellow works with:

Eight glaucoma sub-specialists: Clinical Assoc Prof. Ivan Goldberg, Unit Head,

Assoc Prof John Grigg and Drs Ralph Higgins, Ridia Lim, Anne Lee, Colin Clement, Brian Chua and Alison Martins

The Fellow participates in 16 outpatient clinics and 8 operating sessions per 4 week cycle.

The Fellow is on call for glaucoma for the entire year of the Fellowship (direct patient contact), providing treatment under supervision.

The Fellow teaches and supervises registrar and resident doctors, as well as nursing and orthoptic staff members.

The Fellow conducts several research projects during the year of appointment, comprising both continuation of ongoing prospective studies, and development and conduct of new studies and preparation of reports and audits.

The Fellowship year aims for the Fellow:

- To complete under supervision 100 or more of the common glaucoma procedures, including laser trabeculoplasty, laser iridotomy, laser iridoplasty, laser cyclodestruction, drainage operations (trabeculectomy, non-penetrating drainage surgery and glaucoma drainage device insertion).
- To understand the indications for all the above procedures.
- To be competent in the peri-operative and post-operative care of patients for all these procedures.
- To acquire a broad understanding of the principles of management of glaucoma injury including:
  - Clinical glaucoma-oriented history, glaucoma-oriented examination.
  - Competence to interpret the results of diagnostic technologies such as quantitative perimetry, scanning laser ophthalmoscopy and ocular coherent tomography.
  - Competence to diagnose the range of conditions constituting the glaucomas and to plan a course of management that is appropriate for the individual patient.
  - Optimization of medical therapy for each patient.

The fellowship is a Sydney Eye Hospital based training post, comprising a mixture of observation and hands on management of patients, in turn providing a much-needed service for our public patients.

We train doctors who are fully-qualified ophthalmologists in their respective country of origin. They are selected based on their experience, and references, and very importantly their agreed commitment to return to their country of origin to provide a known-to-be-needed glaucoma service there.