

## TITLE

Establishment of a Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre International Radiation Oncology Fellowship

## PURPOSE

To seek approval to establish a 12-month Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre Radiation Oncology Fellowship annually for the period 2017 – 2022.

## RECOMMENDATION

That the Chief Executive endorse the establishment of a Crown Princess Mary Cancer Centre International Radiation Oncology Fellowship

## IMPACT OF RECOMMENDATIONS

- **On Patients:** Nil. The fellow will provide clinical care to patients under the direction of a staff specialist at all times. At least 50% of their time will be dedicated to patient care
- **On Regional NSW:** Nil
- **On Finances:** Nil. This position will be funded by the Radiation Oncology Network Trust Fund when Fellows do not provide their own source of funding.

## KEY ISSUES – including any other impacts

- This Fellowship is specifically intended to specifically support an International oncology trainee or recent graduate with an interest in developing their clinical and research skills in radiation oncology for a 12-month period.
- The exchange of ideas between overseas trained fellows and local trainees and consultants is important to bring new ideas and is in the spirit of collaboration between CPMCC and the International oncology community.
- While some fellows may be able to attract their own source of funding, this will not always be the case. This fellowship will use RON Trust funds to appoint a fellow at the appropriate NSW Health award.
- The Sydney West Radiation Oncology Network has a well-established successful local fellowship training program which has been in operation for several years.
- We aim to establish a track record of excellence in fellowship training nationally and internationally.
- A fellowship set aside for an International trainee will provide a clear pathway for Danish colleagues which can be advertised within the Danish oncology community. In years where there is no suitable Danish applicant, we propose widening the CPMCC Radiation Oncology Fellow to other international trainees.
- The fellowship will include a statement that it is for a 12-month non-renewable period, and not intended to be a pathway for migration