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The Renzo Galanello Fellowship Programme

The programme of the Renzo Galanello Fellowship will comprise a number of options some of which will be compulsory:

Compulsory:

- 1. Session with the clinical librarian to learn how to perform searches to access papers and data.
- 2. Attendance at the open teaching sessions of the training centre and any relevant departmental sessions in reproductive endocrinology, cardiology or haematology.
- 3. Teaching for teachers (TIP) courses.
- 4. Handbook/log book of cases seen.
- 5. Attendance at specialist Thalassaemia clinics with Cardiology and Endocrinology specialists, as well as combined multidisciplinary clinics being set up in Paediatrics and Diabetes.
- 6. Some time on the Thalassaemia day unit of the training centre, looking at routine transfusion practice and management of Hepatitis C positive patients.
- 7. Design and development of one chapter of a patient management-teaching tool.

Optional:

All fellows should undertake the compulsory options and at least one of the following 4 options:

- 1. Research project, which will be decided by the fellow and may cover haematological, cardiology or endocrine components of the training programme, depending on the individual fellow's interests.
- 2. Public health: some time may be arranged with the community haemoglobinopathy counselors and the antenatal and neonatal screening programme staff, to look at how screening has been implemented in the country of the training centre.
- 3. CMR: some time may be arranged to visit a CMR unit within or outside the training centre, to learn about this technique and its role in management of iron overload.
- 4. Blood transfusion safety: Some time may be arranged for fellows to look at blood transfusion safety in the haematology laboratory of the training centre and at a regional blood transfusion centre, but also to attend the hospital blood transfusion committee meetings and work with the transfusion nurse specialist.

