

# EMERGENCY MEDICAL RETRIEVAL SERVICE

The Emergency Medical Retrieval Service (EMRS) is the UK's leading aeromedical transfer service. The fully consultant delivered service is funded by NHS Scotland. EMRS undertakes over 1000 retrieval missions per year by ambulance helicopter, search and rescue helicopter, fixed wing aircraft and fast response car. As well as pre-hospital care, the service provides a secondary retrieval service for critically ill patients in 24 rural Scottish hospitals. 40% of these patients are ventilated. EMRS also provides medical leadership and critical care at major incidents.

EMRS is able to provide the highest levels of trainee education and supervision. As missions are consultant led, trainees always undertake retrieval duties with a highly experienced retrieval specialist. EMRS employs 28 retrieval consultants. The team prides itself on the highest standards of clinical governance and safe systems. These are supported by our bespoke EMRS smartphone app.

EMRS has an international reputation for academic excellence in retrieval medicine. Trainees are supported in research and service improvement projects. The service runs the annual UK Retrieval conference and members of the team established the Diploma in Retrieval and Transfer Medicine RCSEd.

The service is located in a new, bespoke multi-million pound retrieval base at Glasgow airport. The team works alongside colleagues from Scotland's paediatric and neonatal teams.

During their time with us EMRS trainees are expected to be actively involved in rural outreach, visiting the Scottish islands to provide training and feedback, and in providing rural telemedicine advice.

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