

Clinical Leadership Specialised Commissioning



National Programme of Care CCG Co-Chairs (4) – Cancer | Trauma | Women & Children | Blood & Infection
National Programme of Care Clinical Co-Chair (1) – Women & Children
National Clinical Reference Group Chairs (8)
National Clinical Reference Group CCG Members (240) & Senate Area Members (60)

Clinical leadership lies at the heart of NHS England's direct commissioning of specialised services. To focus on this important work, NHS England established a Directorate of Specialised Commissioning in January 2015. Excellent clinical leadership is essential to the commissioning of specialised services and to drive greater collaboration between CCGs and NHS England. Recruitment is now open to a number of clinical leadership roles.

Clinical Reference Groups (CRGs), working within one of six national programmes of care, advise NHS England on the strategic delivery of specialised services. Of central importance to patients are the production of: service specifications (setting key standards of delivery for a service), and clinical commissioning policies (clinical criteria for access to specific services based on sound clinical evidence). CRGs also provide advice and leadership to shaping services, to strategic service reviews and to collaborative commissioning.

The **National Programme of Care Clinical Chair role** provides highly credible and visible clinical leadership for the Women & Children Programme of Care (PoC), one of six PoCs established by NHS England. The PoC Chair will support the chairs and members of the relevant national CRGs and work closely with other clinical leaders including National Clinical Directors. The postholder will help develop, and deliver a programme driving innovation, quality improvement and efficiency in commissioned services. The National PoC Chair will be appointed on secondment to NHS England for 2 PAs per week.

To build collaborative relationships with CCGs clinical leaders in the formation of national commissioning policy, NHS England seeks **National Programme of Care CCG Co-Chairs** for four of the six programmes of care: Cancer; Trauma; Women & Children; and Blood & Infection. Applicants will be established clinical leaders within CCGs and seconded for 2 PAs per week.

The national Clinical Director for Specialised Services seeks advice from 75 national service specific CRGs that are each led by a **National CRG Clinical Chair**, with 14 clinical members drawn from NHS England's Clinical Senate areas together with further professional and patient or carer members. These posts are not remunerated; support for application needs to be provided by the applicant's host NHS organisation. NHS England seeks to appoint Clinical Chairs for the following CRGs for a three year term:

- Complex Head and Neck
- Congenital Heart Services
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Haemophilia/other bleeding disorders
- HIV
- Neurosciences
- Paediatric Surgery
- Specialised Ear Surgery

Within the CRGs, some vacancies have become available and applications are invited from relevant specialists in a number of senate areas. In addition for this year, we are seeking four CCG members (one from each region) for each of the CRGs.

For an information pack and application form on the above roles, please contact gurpreet.mangat@nhs.net

There will be two rounds of recruitment filling available roles in each round.

Round 4 Closing Date: 31 May 2015.

Round 5 Closing Date: 30 June 2015.