



## **Clinical Leadership Role for the National Congenital Heart Disease Audit 1 PA per week\***

Do you have the passion and the skills required to lead the National Congenital Heart Disease Audit (NCHDA) to the next phase of quality improvement?

We are looking for a specialist consultant to provide clinical leadership for the NCHDA, a specialist domain of the National Cardiac Audit Programme (NCAP), managed by the National Institute for Cardiovascular Outcomes Research (NICOR). NICOR is hosted by NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit (AGEM) to deliver the programme which is commissioned and funded by NHS England and NHS Wales (GIG Cymru). The appointment will be made by NICOR in consultation with the Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery (SCTS) and British Congenital Cardiac Association (BCCA) using AGEM's recruitment process.

The position reports to the Chair of the NCAP Operational and Methodology (NOM) Group and the NICOR Chief Operating Officer. The post holder will work closely with the Chair of the NOM Group, NICOR Chief Operating Officer, AGEM Head of Clinical Registries and Audits, other NCAP domain clinical leads and the NICOR delivery and analytical teams, as well as the SCTS and BCCA.

The post holder will:

- Chair multi-disciplinary NCHDA Domain Expert Group (DEG) meetings, monthly project management team meetings and any other ad-hoc meetings, as required.
- Participate in monthly NOM Group meetings.
- Act as an ambassador for NICOR.

The successful candidate will need to demonstrate professional excellence, an understanding of national audit and quality improvement methodology at a national level and the necessary management skills to ensure timely delivery of the agreed NCAP outputs, as well as to effectively develop and enhance the partnerships between NICOR and its stakeholders (professional societies, hospitals, commissioners, regulators, NHSE, patients and the public).

The job description and appointment process for this role is attached. However, for further information or an informal discussion please contact:

- Abbas Khushnood, NCHDA Clinical Lead ([a.khushnood@nhs.net](mailto:a.khushnood@nhs.net))
- Professor Mark de Belder, Chair of the NOM Group ([mark.debelder@nhs.net](mailto:mark.debelder@nhs.net))

To apply, please send your full CV (including your telephone and email address as well as details of two referees) along with a covering letter outlining your vision for the NCHDA domain and explaining how you would provide the clinical leadership required for this role to:

**Bronya Glet**  
NICOR Business Manager  
Email: [b.glet@nhs.net](mailto:b.glet@nhs.net)

**Closing date for applications: Sunday, 16 November 2025**

**Interviews will take place via MS Teams: Monday, 1 December 2025 (afternoon)**

***\*The post will initially be on an 'Elect' basis for a maximum of 12 months to allow for a smooth transition and handover between the outgoing and incoming clinical lead. The role will not be paid during this Elect period. Thereafter there is a payment contribution of £10,000 per annum.***