

Job Description

Job Title: CLINICAL SENATE ASSEMBLY MEMBER	
Directorate	Networks and Senate
Pay Band	All clinical posts are unpaid
WTE / Time Commitment	Variable
Responsible to	Clinical Senate Chair
Accountable to	Clinical Senate Chair
Organisation Chart <pre> graph TD MD["Medical Director (Joint) NHS England - North (Y&H)"] --- SC["Senate Chair"] SC --- SCouncil["Senate Council"] SCouncil --- SA["Senate Assembly"] </pre>	
Base	Flexible within Yorkshire and the Humber
Job Purpose/Summary <p>As a Clinical Senate Assembly member the post holder will work as part of a diverse multi professional forum providing the Yorkshire and the Humber Senate Council with ready access to experts from the full range of health and social care professions. The post holder will help to provide perspectives, ideas and expert opinions in response to requests for advice through their membership of bespoke expert clinical panels</p> <p>As a Senate Assembly member the post holder will be invited to join bespoke expert clinical panels when we have a topic that requires the post holders clinical expertise. Typically each panel has between 6 – 12 members. We will ensure that those members do not have a Conflict of Interest to the proposals in question. Each panel is chaired by a member of our Senate <u>Council</u>. As an Assembly member the post holder's time commitment will therefore be very flexible and will depend on their membership of the specific panels. Much of the work is 'virtual' with documents distributed by email and discussions organised by teleconference. On average each topic lasts for between 1-3 months. The post holder will therefore have periods of participation in projects followed by periods where they have no active participation in Senate work. The key aspects of the role will be:</p>	

- To review evidence and provide independent and objective professional and clinical advice to the referring organisations in order to:
 - Ensure that the proposals will improve clinical outcomes and quality of patient care in the wider health system.
 - Determine whether service reconfiguration proposals are safe, sustainable and improve quality and outcomes for patients.
- To champion the Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Senate recommendations – communicating decisions and information to work places and to the broader clinical community.

Key Job Specific Responsibilities

- To provide impartial clinical advice (requiring an ability to step outside of employing organisation and geography)
- To contribute strategically to a wider population solution to service change
- Actively contribute to issues being considered by the Senate, drawing on professional networks and experience from work settings as appropriate
- To have the ability to understand and interpret complex data
- To understand current systems and challenge existing failings and inequalities
- To have the willingness to apply an open-minded approach
- To ensure better consistency for patient flow across a larger population area
- Share experiences of improvement as well as issues of concern to inform the Senate's work and drive improvement
- Commit to the principles and values agreed by the Yorkshire and Humber Clinical Senate, in particular promoting the needs of patients above the needs of organisations or professions
- Comply with the Senate confidentiality agreements