

Invitation to health and care professionals from all disciplines in Yorkshire and the Humber to apply for a position on the Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Senate Council

The Yorkshire and the Humber Clinical Senate provides free and full independent and impartial clinical advice on plans for service change that have significant implications for patients and the public. We provide this advice to both commissioners and providers of health and social care.

We are looking for senior, experienced and passionate health and social care professionals who are actively involved in healthcare delivery to join the Senate Council. The vacancies have arisen as a number of our Senate Council members will shortly reach their maximum 5 year tenure.

The role of the Senate is to respond to requests for clinical advice on service change proposals. We provide evidence-based advice, given in the best interests of patients, independent of organisational or professional interests. We work with a complete spectrum of clinical experts from acute to primary care, including input from social care and patient members.

As a member of the Senate Council you will join the group which is responsible for the formulation and provision of our advice. You will join a core multi-disciplinary 'steering' group of between 20 -30 members which include a range of clinicians from across health and social care and 3 patient and public members. The Council meets bi-monthly and oversees all Senate business. Members are appointed for a maximum tenure of 5 years.

Members are recruited based upon their credibility and experience in their particular professions. They are not appointed to represent their organisations or their professions, ensuring that impartiality remains one of the main strengths of the Senate.

Your fixed time commitment is the attendance of the bi-monthly Council meeting currently held virtually via MS Teams. Once face to face meetings are again possible, they will be held in Wakefield. Your further time commitment is flexible depending upon your membership of specific expert panels for individual reviews.

Our [website](#) details the work we have been involved with.

Over the last 12 months we have advised on:

- Maternity services
- Stroke services
- Aortic dissection provision
- Mechanical thrombectomy services
- The sustainability of acute services including emergency services, paediatrics and urology

We also work closely with other Senates and you will therefore have opportunity to participate in advising on proposals outside of the Yorkshire and the Humber geography. We are happy to have a discussion with any experienced clinician who is interested as we are flexible in the mix of disciplines represented on our Council.

If you would like further information, please contact Joanne Poole at joanne.poole1@nhs.net

To apply for a position on the Clinical Senate Council, please send your summary CV and details of one referee to stephaniebeal@nhs.net together with a covering email stating why you are interested in this position. We will then respond to you and you may be invited to an interview with our Chair or Vice Chair. Applications should be submitted by no later than **23rd October 2020**.