

## **New Chair required for NIHR CRN: Children Endocrine Clinical Studies Group**

The National Institute Health Research (NIHR) Clinical Research Network (CRN): Children's Specialty works in partnership with clinical communities to support the development of paediatric research via the **NIHR CRN Children Clinical Studies Groups** (CSG), linked with charities and other key stakeholders in the field. The Endocrine CSG has a specific focus on supporting and developing research within the paediatric endocrinology field.

This CSG has a dual role of both advising the NIHR CRN Children in defining research priorities in paediatrics and in developing a portfolio of clinical trials and other well designed studies. The remit of the CSG includes:

- ❖ To be responsible for developing and overseeing its portfolio of studies
- ❖ To propose and develop new trials and other well-designed studies
- ❖ To consider studies proposed by others, and advise the NIHR CRN Children
- ❖ To provide specific advice to investigators
- ❖ To ensure consumer involvement in all activities

The CSG holds 2 face-to-face meetings per year in London, plus 1 teleconference in between. The Chair of the CSG will be expected to attend additional meetings as required for example the CSG Chairs Forum, meetings with the CSG funders etc.

**We are looking for an enthusiastic endocrine clinician** with experience of leading paediatric research to take on the role of Chair of the CSG. Selection will be made against set criteria (see below) and the appointments will be made strictly on merit. The appointments are for three years and are *voluntary*, not remunerated positions. Second Class travel expenses for attendance at relevant meetings will be reimbursed.

<b>CRITERIA</b>
<b>Clinician with academic excellence in paediatric medicine</b>
<b>Previous experience of chairing research meetings effectively</b>
<b>Evidence of an ability to provide leadership to a research group</b>
<b>Prepared to take action and implement decisions</b>
<b>Previous track record of collaborative research in paediatric medicine</b>
<b>Prepared to maintain commercial confidentiality when working with the pharmaceutical industry and to declare conflicts of interest</b>
<b>Highly developed leadership skills, excellent communicator, skilful team player</b>

If you are interested in chairing the Endocrine CSG, please submit a *short CV* and *covering letter* outlining how you meet the listed criteria to NIHR CRN Children at [csg.crnchildren@nihr.ac.uk](mailto:csg.crnchildren@nihr.ac.uk) by **Friday 13th December 2019**. It is advised that all candidates read the CSG leaflet prior to submitting their applications. Further information on the CSGs can be found on the NIHR website <https://www.nihr.ac.uk/explore-nihr/specialties/children-and-young-people.htm>

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