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## Clinical Research Fellow for the National Bowel Cancer Audit

The Royal College of Surgeons of England - Clinical Effectiveness Unit

<b>Location:</b>	London	<b>Placed on:</b>	27th February 2015
<b>Salary:</b>	£33,597 to £40,118	<b>Closes:</b>	15th March 2015
<b>Hours:</b>	Full Time	<b>Job Ref:</b>	14/15
<b>Contract Type:</b>	Permanent		

35 hrs per week

3 year FTC

Central London

The National Bowel Cancer Audit evaluates the quality of care received by patients with Bowel cancer in England and Wales. Its aim is to assess the organisation of cancer services as well as the diagnosis and staging process and the outcomes of treatment.

For this Audit, we are seeking an enthusiastic clinical fellow who will be part of a multidisciplinary team. The candidate will support the further development of the Audit, the assessment of data quality, data analysis, and reporting of its findings and policy implications. The candidate will be expected to use their work as the basis for an MD/PhD thesis.

The Audit has until now has focused primarily on bowel cancer patients who are treated surgically. The successful candidate will help to widen the scope of the Audit (including all bowel cancer patients, not only those treated surgically) and to extent its time horizon (assessing long-term patient outcomes up to five years after diagnosis)

The post will be based in The Clinical Effectiveness Unit, a joint unit of The Royal College of Surgeons of England and The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Its remit is to carry out national audits, develop audit methodologies and produce evidence on clinical and cost-effectiveness of surgical procedures.

The Audit is funded by the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership. It is carried out by the Clinical Effectiveness Unit in partnership with the Association of Coloproctologists of Great Britain and Ireland, and the NHS Health and Social Care Information Centre.

The candidate should have clinical experience in a relevant discipline (surgery, gastroenterology, oncology) and have passed a Membership/ Fellowship exam of a relevant Royal College. Excellent verbal and written communication skills and good organisational abilities are essential. Research experience is an advantage.

Informal enquiries regarding this post should be directed to Dr Kate Walker, Lecturer in Medical Statistics ([kate.walker@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:kate.walker@lshtm.ac.uk)); Mr Nigel Scott, Colorectal Surgeon ([nigel.scott@lthtr.nhs.uk](mailto:nigel.scott@lthtr.nhs.uk)); or Professor Jan van der Meulen, Professor in Clinical Epidemiology ([jan.vandermeulen@lshtm.ac.uk](mailto:jan.vandermeulen@lshtm.ac.uk)).

For further information on this role and to apply please visit [www.rcseng.ac.uk/about/working](http://www.rcseng.ac.uk/about/working) using reference 14/15

Closing date: 15 March 2015

Proposed interview date: 23 March 2015

Start Date: As soon as possible