

Invitation to health and care professionals of all disciplines to apply for membership of the East of England Clinical Senate Assembly

One of twelve Clinical Senates across England, the East of England Clinical Senate has been established to support commissioners to make the best decisions about healthcare for the populations they represent. Clinical Senate Assembly will be a diverse, multi-professional membership forum providing Clinical Senate Council with ready access to experts from the full range of health and care professions from across all health and care settings.

Clinical Senate Assembly members will be interested in using their skills and knowledge of local health or care systems to ensure that services are designed and commissioned to deliver the best overall care and outcomes for patients. Assembly members will be invited to participate in issues of strategic importance to improve healthcare in the East of England and formulate independent advice. Members will work in multi-professional groups to provide their expert knowledge and opinion – we aim to make much of the work ‘virtual’.

Senate Assembly membership will be for two years. Time commitment is flexible and will depend on membership of the working and interest groups. There is likely to be an annual Assembly meeting for members who wish to attend.

Applications are welcome from enthusiastic and passionate health and social care professionals of all disciplines and levels of experience including healthcare managers and commissioners, who are actively involved in healthcare delivery or commissioning and able to command respect of clinical and non-clinical professionals.

Clinical Senate will also be a source of information, development and leadership to more junior and less experienced clinicians and applications are welcome from clinicians, students and trainees of all professions. We hope that Senate will be used as a resource for our members to access expertise and a safe place to have clinical conversations and discussions free of organisational and professional body views and interests.

To apply for membership of the Clinical Senate Assembly, please send an expression of interest to england.eoclinicalsenate@nhs.net. Please use this address for any questions you may have or to request a full role description.

Please provide your name, email and telephone contact details, and the name and full work address of your employing organisation. This should be supported by a statement of no more than 300 words outlining your professional background (including clinical qualifications) and areas of interest, and describing what you bring to Clinical Senate.

Expression of interest should be submitted no later than 5pm Tuesday 3rd December 2013.

As this is a membership application, interviews for Assembly membership will not be necessary.