



The Royal College of **Pathologists**

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## **Role Description for RCPATH Sub-Specialty Advisors in Cellular Pathology**

**Accountable to:** Chair of the SAC on Cellular Pathology

### **Appointment:**

- (1) The RCPATH SAC on Cellular Pathology (or appropriate sub-committee), will consider responses to advertisement of the availability of the post to the relevant part of the College Fellowship, or

Where an appropriate national professional specialist society exists, that society will propose an advisor to the SAC on Cellular Pathology.

- (2) RCPATH College Council are required to ratify the nomination.

**Term of office:** Three years with an option for reappointment for a further two years. The post is not remunerated but reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed.

### **Person Specification**

Sub-specialty Advisors in Cellular Pathology must be Fellows of the Royal College of Pathologists, have a routine workload which includes a degree of specialisation in the sub-specialty in question and be up to date with the practice and future developments in the sub-specialty.

There must be a commitment to respond promptly to communications and complete actions.

### **Roles and responsibilities**

To advise the College, through the SAC on Cellular Pathology in writing or in person, on any matter relating to the particular sub-specialty.

To be pro-active in ensuring that a professional infrastructure exists that enables Cellular Pathologists to maintain a high standard of practice in their area. To assist, as requested, with the development of College Datasets, workforce planning, curricula, examinations, professional standards, audit, CPD and EQA, contacts within sub-specialist area, opportunities for higher sub-specialist training and any other relevant issues in relation to the particular sub-specialty.

Maintain links/liaison with other professional bodies and organisations relevant to the specialty to ensure RCPATH strategy and policy is in line with clinical developments.



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To inform on relevant major clinical trials and their progress and implications for pathology.

To keep up to date with the practice and development of the sub-specialty in order that the College can be kept informed of relevant existing and potential problems and issues.

Advising on appropriate content for the College website in maintaining information and contacts relevant to their sub-specialty area that a consultant wanting to be able to apply for a sub-specialist post would want to have.

Assist in planning academic and educational activities in the sub-specialty area.

To attend the annual meeting of Sub-specialty Advisors in Cellular Pathology chaired by the chair of the SAC on Cellular Pathology and to provide a written report for that meeting.

To attend any other meetings at the College or elsewhere that may be required regarding the sub-specialty area. To appoint a deputy to cover work and meetings in his/her absence.

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