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**RCoA-Centre for Research & Improvement (CR&I) Leadership Advert:**

**Short Advert:**

The RCoA Centre for Research and Improvement is currently welcoming

applications for the following roles:

* RCoA-CR&I – Chair
* RCoA-CR&I – Director
* RCoA-CR&I – Deputy Director

We are looking to appoint these roles over the next few months and would like to hear from you if you are interested.

More information available here: *(link to advert below)*

**Overview:**

The aim of the [RCoA Centre for Research and Improvement](https://www.rcoa.ac.uk/research/research-bodies/rcoa-centre-research-improvement-cri) (RCoA-CR&I) is to ensure that every anaesthetist, at every stage of their career, whatever their role or interest, has the ability and opportunity to generate high quality evidence and use research to drive improvements throughout a patient’s perioperative journey. To support the development of future programmes that continue to ask the ‘big’ important questions and ensure the appropriate methodology is used to answer them.

The RCoA Centre for Research and Improvement launched in 2023 and saw the merging of the existing Health Services Research Centre (HSRC) and the Perioperative Medicine Clinical Trials Network (POMCTN).

The RCoA-CR&I is the national centre of excellence for health services research and quality improvement in anaesthesia and associated specialties. Its purpose is to define, evaluate and improve quality in anaesthesia, perioperative care and pain management. The RCoA-CR&I oversees the delivery of all College research projects, including National Audit Projects (NAPs), National Emergency Laparotomy Audit (NELA), Perioperative Quality Improvement Programme (PQIP)and Sprint National Anaesthesia Projects (SNAPs).

**Roles:**

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These roles will be appointed in a sequential manner, with the Chair role appointed in the first instance (December 2024) followed by the Director role (February 2025) and finally the Deputy Director (April 2025).

Applications are open for all positions, but interviews and appointments will be made successively as follows:

**RCoA-CR&I Chair**

Closing date for applications: **Friday 6 December 2024**

Interview date: **Wednesday 11 December 2024**

**RCoA-CR&I Director**

Closing date for applications: **Friday 7 February 2025**

Interview date: TBC

**RCoA-CR&I Deputy Director**

Closing date for applications: **Friday 7 March 2025**

Interview date: TBC

**Application Details:**

Applicants should submit a CV and a supporting statement of no more than 650 words (without hyperlinks) that should include a description of how they match the person specification set out and how they would help the RCoA-CR&I meet its challenges and achieve its strategic objectives and a one-page letter of support from their Head of Department/line manager.

This must include contact details (daytime telephone and email address).

Those who are interested are strongly advised to discuss the role with Dr Elisa Bertoja, Chair of Clinical Quality & Research Board - [ebertoja@rcoa.ac.uk](mailto:ebertoja@rcoa.ac.uk) and Ms Sharon Drake, Director of Clinical Quality and Research – [sdrake@rcoa.ac.uk](mailto:sdrake@rcoa.ac.uk)

Applications should be submitted to [cri@rcoa.ac.uk](mailto:cri@rcoa.ac.uk)