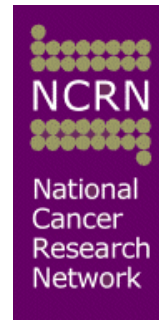




**NATIONAL CANCER RESEARCH INSTITUTE (NCRI)  
CLINICAL STUDIES GROUPS  
CHAIRPERSON -  
BLADDER CANCER, COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES, LUNG  
CANCER, UPPER GASTRO-INTESTINAL CANCER**



The 23 National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) Clinical Studies Groups have a remit to develop portfolios of trials for specific cancer types or treatment approaches. This includes overseeing the portfolio of existing studies, considering new research questions, developing proposals and securing funding from NCRI members. The Groups are multi-disciplinary, with surgery, medical oncology, clinical oncology, radiology, pathology, epidemiology, statistics and other professions involved in clinical trials represented on each Group as appropriate. For a full list of the 23 Groups please visit the web site at <http://www.ncrn.org.uk/Csg/index.htm> Each Group meets at least two times per year and a number of the Groups have Subgroups and/or Working Parties which meet in the intervals between the main Group meetings. Some of the Groups host National Clinical Trials meetings of between 100 and 450 delegates.

Each Chairman is responsible to the NCRN Operational Steering Group (OSG), and will need to be able to:-

- Oversee the portfolio of trials developed or adopted by the Group.
- Contribute to studies developed or adopted by the Group.
- Monitor the progress of the Group.
- Receive input from the NCRN Co-ordinating Centre.
- Liaise with other National and International trials organisations.
- Propose membership of the Group in consultation with the NCRN Steering Group.
- Report to the NCRN Steering Group annually and through the triennial peer review mechanism.
- Provide advice to the NCRN Steering Group or NCRI, attending meetings as needed.
- Promote good clinical research practice.

***We are currently seeking applications for Chairmen of the following groups:***

- ***NCRI Bladder Cancer Clinical Studies Group***
- ***NCRI Complementary Therapies Clinical Studies Development Group***
- ***NCRI Lung Cancer Clinical Studies Group***
- ***NCRI Upper Gastro-Intestinal Cancer Clinical Studies Group***

Chairmen need to be able to demonstrate highly developed leadership skills, be excellent communicators and skilful team players. Specifically, each post holder will also need to be able to demonstrate previous experience of chairing research meetings effectively, evidence of an ability to provide leadership to a research group, and be prepared to take action and implement decisions. They will need to be a clinician with academic excellence, and need to have a previous track record of collaborative research in the appropriate area of cancer. Selection will be made against Chairmanship criteria and appointments will be made strictly on merit. Appointments are for three years in the first instance, and Chairmanship can be considered as national work. This is a voluntary, not a remunerated position.

**If you are interested in serving as an NCRI Clinical Studies Group Chairman, please submit your CV and covering letter in support of your application by email to Ms Elliann Fairbairn at [ncricsg@cancer.org.uk](mailto:ncricsg@cancer.org.uk) by 17<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Please note that interviews will take place in mid to late-October. Background information on the 'Remit of Groups' and the 'Remit of Members' (including Chairmanship criteria) can be found on the web at <http://www.ncrn.org.uk/csg/remit.htm>. Please contact either Dr Eileen Loucaides, Senior Executive NCRI Clinical Studies Groups Secretariat on 020 3469 8582 or Professor Matt Seymour, NCRN Director on 0113 343 8033 if you would like to discuss the post prior to application.**