



Royal College of
General Practitioners

Regional Leads for the Eastern Region and South East Region RCGP Substance Misuse Unit – 2010

Tasks of the Job

The Royal College of General Practitioners Substance Misuse Unit supports continuing professional development of primary care practitioners. The College has developed a National training and development programme at Certificate level for General Practitioners wishing to develop their skills and expertise from generalist through to Intermediate level.

To support this successful training programme the College has created 9 Regional Clinical Lead Posts. The post holders, act as a point of contact in the provision of information, support and liaison for practitioners involved in or wishing to become involved in the care of drug users. The post holder will provide **Sign posting** towards appropriate training schemes, support network, **Communication** with National Expert Advisory Group, SMMGP NTA and other stakeholder groups, **Liaison** with DATs, NTA Regional Leads, NTA, RCGP and GPs and **Support** to Certificate tutors.

It is not envisaged that the above will involve face-to-face contact, rather contact through Internet or other means.

Dynamic, forward-thinking GPs with experience in the field of Substance Misuse who are able to commit energy and innovation are required by the College to direct, influence and contribute to the development of the Drugs Training Programme at Regional Level. Leadership, communication and liaison skills are vital and an understanding of the wider political context of the substance misuse and governance fields is also essential

The post holders will be accountable to the Clinical Director of the Substance Misuse Unit and will be expected to attend a once yearly planning meeting.

This is an Honorary Contract, and there is a honorarium of £400 for attending the meetings plus standard class travel costs. The position will be offered for one year in the first instance though further funding is being sought to extend this.

Applications

Please submit a CV along with a personal statement which outlines:

- What skills you would bring to this post
- What you see as the important areas of work for this position
- How you would go about establishing and sustaining a network to support CPD and appraisal in your region and what do you see as your key partners in relation to this activity.

And

- A project plan of how you would take this forward

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Closing Date:

Friday 12th February 2010

Interview date :

Tuesday 9th March 2010

Interview venue:

The RCGP, 14 Princes Gate, London, SW9 1PU