

## Could you help to design & deliver cancer research in the UK?

Do you have a **strong interest** in cancer research? Do you want to **help improve** patient outcomes and experiences?

If you have recently experienced cancer as a patient or carer and want to help shape the development of research trials for cancer patients, then we'd like to hear from you. The National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) partnership was established in 2001 to drive collaboration between organisations that fund cancer research, and we remain dedicated to our purpose which is to improve health and quality of life by accelerating progress in cancer-related research, through collaboration. Consumer involvement is one of four key enablers for achieving NCRI's strategic goals and adds value to the work of the NCRI partnership. Please use the following link to visit our website: <http://www.ncri.org.uk/> and the following to download a copy of our 2017-2022 Strategy: <http://www.ncri.org.uk/about-us/our-strategy/>

NCRI is currently seeking consumer members to represent the patient community on the following NCRI Groups:



### NCRI Groups

The NCRI Groups (formerly known as Clinical Studies Groups) have a remit to develop portfolios of clinical trials and high-quality studies for specific cancer types or treatment approaches. This includes considering new research questions, developing proposals for trials, securing funding and overseeing the portfolio of existing studies. Our Groups are multi-disciplinary; with surgery, medical oncology, clinical oncology, radiology, pathology, epidemiology, statistics and other professions involved in clinical trials. Each Group also has two consumer members to assist the group in understanding the perspectives of patients, carers and the public that are relevant to the work of the group. Each Group meets at least twice per year.

Each Group is also associated with a number of more specialised Subgroups, which you may also choose to get involved with based on your interests and experiences. For example, the Prostate Group has a 'Localised Disease Subgroup' and an 'Advanced Disease Subgroup'. For more information regarding each Group and their associated Subgroups, as well as to access each Groups Annual Report please visit: <http://csg.ncri.org.uk/view-our-ncri-groups/>

### Applicants should have:

- Experience of cancer services as a patient or carer, which are relevant to the role
- Knowledge and understanding of the consumer perspective, as well as the ability to represent consumer perspectives beyond their own personal experience
- Willingness and ability to familiarise with relevant research and medical language
- An ability to work effectively and constructively as part of a team within a mixed group of consumers and professionals
- Excellent communication skills with an ability to listen to others
- Time to participate fully in all Group activities

To view the full **ROLE PROFILE** click the following: <http://bit.ly/RoleProfile>

Please note that we offer training, support and a scientific mentor to *all* consumer members on *all* NCRI Groups.

Please note that this role requires a degree of objectivity and therefore is unlikely to suit those who have experienced a loss within the last 12 months.

### NCRI Consumer Forum

As well as participating in all aspects of your Groups activities, all consumers become members of the NCRI Consumer Forum; our wider community of patients and carers who are actively involved NCRI's work. The NCRI Consumer Forum meets on average twice per year.

We are committed to increasing the diversity of our consumer representation and applications are encouraged from individuals based throughout the UK, from all ethnic groups, all age groups, and from people with experience of all kinds of cancer. At present, the NCRI reimburse travel expenses to attend CSG meetings, and there is also an honorarium for attendance. Further details about consumer activity and payments are provided upon recruitment to the role.

### Important dates:

Successful applicants will be invited to **interview** at The Angel Building (EC1V 4AD) during August 2019 – dates TBC.

If recruited, new consumers will be expected to attend the **NCRI Consumer Induction Training** at The Angel Building (EC1V 4AD) on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

### Contact information:

Interested applicants are encouraged to contact Liane Hazell (NCRI Research Involvement Officer) at [consumers@ncri.org.uk](mailto:consumers@ncri.org.uk) or tel. 0203 469 6121.

**Please apply using the following link:**

<http://www.ncri.org.uk/consumers/membership-application/>

**\*\*The deadline for all applications is midnight on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August\*\***

Please note that deadline has been extended from Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August