The 21 National Cancer Research Institute (NCRI) Clinical Studies Groups (CSGs) 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 CSGs 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. All Groups have consumer representation. For a full list of the 21 Groups and their member please visit the NCRN web site at www.ncrn.org.uk.

Each CSG meets at least twice a year and a number of the Groups have Subgroups and/or Working Parties, which meet in the intervals between the main Group meetings. Many of the Groups also host national clinical trials meetings of between 100 and 450 delegates.

Appointment to a CSG is for three years in the first instance, and membership can be considered as national work. This is a voluntary, not a remunerated position.

We are currently seeking applications for members of the:

- NCRI Bladder Cancer Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Gynaecological Oncology Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Haematological Oncology Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Melanoma Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Prostate Cancer Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Psychosocial Oncology Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Renal Cancer Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Sarcoma Clinical Studies Group
- NCRI Teenagers and Young Adults Cancer Clinical Studies Group

All applicants need to be able to demonstrate experience of collaborative clinical trials activity in a leadership capacity, success in trial accrual to national studies, links with cancer research networks and an enthusiasm and commitment to developing cancer research. Members should be prepared to contribute fully to the work of a Group, including attending Subgroup / Working Party meetings as appropriate. Please note that members may serve on more than one CSG concurrently.

If you are interested in serving as an NCRI Clinical Studies Group member, please submit your CV and covering letter in support of your application by email to Miss Laura Johnson at laura.johnson@cancer.org.uk by 25th June 2012. Please send your application as a PDF and saved in your full name, for example laurajohnson.cv

Background information on the 'Remit of Groups' and the 'Remit of Members' can be found on the web at www.ncrn.org.uk. Please contact Dr Eileen Loucaides, Senior Executive NCRI Clinical Studies Groups Secretariat, on 020 3469 8582 if you have any queries.