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SURGICAL DIRECTOR, INTERCOLLEGIATE SURGICAL CURRICULUM PROGRAMME (ISCP)

On behalf of the 4 surgical colleges of the UK and Ireland, we are seeking to appoint an exceptional individual to oversee the delivery and future development of the ISCP, under the overall direction of the JCST Chairman.

Developed and overseen by the Joint Committee on Surgical Training and its Specialty Advisory Committees (SACs), the ISCP is now in its third year of full operation. It is a living curriculum, the content of which must keep pace with changes in practice in individual specialties and in surgical training as a whole. We also strive constantly to respond to feedback and to improve its user-friendliness for both trainees and trainers. All of this takes place within the framework established by the regulator, PMETB, which approves all postgraduate training curricula and monitors changes on a regular basis.

The Surgical Director will provide clinical leadership for the ISCP, act as a champion in increasing familiarity among both trainees and trainers, and work to foster and promote excellence in surgical education and training.

Applicants should be practising consultant surgeons with recent experience of managing and delivering surgical training, extensive familiarity with the ISCP and experience of chairing or leading a relevant regional or national training committee. Excellent leadership, management and interpersonal skills will be essential.

The JCST/ISCP will reimburse the successful applicant's Trust/Health Board for 2 PAs per week.

A job description, person specification and application form are available from Sallie Nicholas, Head of JCST (snicholas@jcst.org; tel: 020 7869 6240). Chris Munsch, JCST Chairman, is also available to discuss the post and can be contacted via the JCST secretariat.

The closing date for applications is **4 January 2010**. Interviews will be held at the Royal College of Surgeons of England on **5 February 2010**.

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