



# RCS England Clinical Lead for Robotic-Assisted Surgery

## Role details

**Title:** RCS England Clinical Lead for Robotic-Assisted Surgery

**Term:** 3 years, with a maximum extension of 2 further years by agreement, subject to annual appraisal by RCS England's Director of Research and Quality Improvement under the direction of the RCS England's Research and Quality Committee.

**Time commitment:** approximately 4 days per month

**Closing date:** 7 June 2026

To discuss this role, please contact RCS England Future of Surgery Lead Nuha Yassin ([nyassin@rcseng.ac.uk](mailto:nyassin@rcseng.ac.uk)).

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## Role purpose

Building on previous College activity, to provide clinical and strategic leadership for RCS England's work in robotic-assisted surgery, ensuring that the College's position is credible to the profession, informed by real world consultant level experience, and delivered in collaboration with College staff and external stakeholders.

## Role summary

Working with the RCS England Research and QI directorate and the Council Lead for Future of Surgery, the Lead for Robotic-Assisted Surgery oversees the development and delivery of an ongoing and developing programme of activity within the Robotic-Assisted Surgery workstream that builds on the recommendations of the Future of Surgery report (2018) and the Future of Surgery: Technology Enhanced Surgical Training report (2022). Wherever possible, this activity is carried out through existing work programmes.

This requires close collaboration with:

- Council Lead for Future of Surgery
- Other Future of Surgery workstream leads
- Director of Research and QI
- Future of Surgery Programme Manager
- Other committees and staff as required

## Key responsibilities

- Set and deliver the strategic goals of the Robotic-Assisted Surgery workstream, in collaboration with the Council Lead for Future of Surgery and other Future of Surgery workstream leads, aligned with the wider strategic goals of the College.
- Work collaboratively with other organisations to support the strategic goals of the Robotic-Assisted Surgery workstream, the Future of Surgery programme and the wider College.
- Convene a refreshed Robotic-Assisted Surgery Group with a focus on training and research, chairing group meetings and network events.
- Report on the Robotic-Assisted Surgery workstream to the Future of Surgery Group and onwards to the Research and Quality Committee and Council.

## Person specification

### Essential criteria:

- Consultant surgeon with substantial knowledge and experience of RAS
- Current Member or Fellow of RCS England in good standing
- Recognised clinical credibility within own specialty and beyond
- Demonstrated ability to lead and influence at a national level
- Experience working across organisational, specialty and professional boundaries
- Strong understanding of UK surgical research, training, and service delivery
- Understanding of principles of quality assurance, accreditation, and credentialing
- Commitment to device agnosticism and equity of access to RAS
- Experience of leadership and chairing in-person/remote meetings
- Record of active contribution to RCS England RADAR activity

### Desirable criteria:

- Excellent verbal and written communication skills, with the ability to engage and influence a wide range of stakeholders.
- Ability to build and maintain professional networks, both within the College and the wider surgical community.
- A forward-thinking approach with the ability to develop and implement innovative solutions.
- Strong interpersonal skills and a collaborative approach to working with colleagues and other stakeholders.
- Experience shaping national strategy, guidance or policy
- Experience chairing or leading national clinical groups
- Experience contributing to training curricula, standards, or registries
- Experience contributing to RCS England activity
- Experience engaging constructively with industry within governance frameworks