# SAS Forum Job Description

The RCS England SAS Forum was established in 2005. In addition to SAS surgeons, doctors and dentists, the Forum membership includes two Locally Employed Doctors/Dentists (LEDs) bringing important representation for this particular group in the College.

The remit of the Forum includes contributing to RCS England policy that is likely to impact on SAS surgeons and LEDs, including: workforce issues, professional regulation, standards of surgical care, education and training and the SAS Strategy, an action from the 2021 Kennedy Report. The forum also promotes SAS and LED issues with relevant stakeholders at both regional and national levels.

Members will be appointed for an initial period of 2 years, with the potential to renew for a further 2 years.

Main Functions:

* consider policy and make recommendations to Council on issues relating to the SAS grade
* raise the profile of the SAS grade and generate awareness about issues affecting them
* represent the SAS Forum on committees and working parties both within and outside RCS England

Duties and responsibilities:

* attend SAS Forum meetings three times per year
* represent the Forum on other RCS England committees and working parties two to three times per year
* promote and adhere to the equality and diversity policy at all times
* attend equality and diversity training as provided by RCS England
* promote SAS activities and be involved in SAS issues at a regional and national level
* contribute to internal and external publications including the RCS England website
* contribute to communication with SAS grade staff
* take responsibility for leading on particular areas of policy representing the SAS Forum/College

Person specification

* demonstrate an understanding of RCS England structures
* demonstrate an active interest in SAS affairs
* demonstrate experience, interest or knowledge in some or all of the following areas of RCS England activity:
  + Workforce
  + Training and education
  + Professional regulation and revalidation of surgeons
  + Standards of surgical care
  + Professional development
* demonstrate an understanding of the RCS England equality and diversity policy

Candidates should:

* be a current member or fellow of RCS England
* currently be working in an SAS (for SAS vacancies) or LED (for LED vacancies) role
* demonstrate experience working with relevant organisations