ASGBI
Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland

Lead for Advanced Practice and Allied Health Professionals

JOB DESCRIPTION

Position Overview

ASGBI is seeking an experienced advanced practitioner or allied health professional to help shape the Association's engagement with this important and growing part of the general surgical multidisciplinary team.

The Lead will act as a visible professional voice within ASGBI, helping the Association understand the educational, professional and membership needs of advanced practitioners and allied health professionals working across general and emergency surgery. The role will support the development of relevant education, encourage multidisciplinary participation in ASGBI activities and help build a professional community within the Association.

The role should engage advanced practitioners from different professional backgrounds, including advanced nurse practitioners and other registered health and care professionals practising at an advanced level, while also recognising the contribution of the wider allied health professional workforce.

Term of Office

The initial term of office is two years, with the option to extend for one further two-year term, subject to approval by the ASGBI Executive Board.

Roles and Responsibilities

Key responsibilities include:

Education and Training:

- Work with the Education and Training Committee to identify priority learning needs for advanced practitioners and allied health professionals working in general and emergency surgery.
- Help develop relevant sessions, webinars, workshops and digital learning, including potential content for ASGBI's developing educational platforms.
- Support education across the different areas of advanced practice.
- Encourage education that is clinically credible, multidisciplinary and applicable across different surgical services and career stages.
- Advise on opportunities for dedicated content at the ASGBI International Surgical Congress and other ASGBI educational events.

Engagement and community building:

- Engage with advanced practitioners, advanced nurse practitioners and allied health professionals across the United Kingdom and Ireland to understand their priorities and share relevant opportunities.
- Encourage eligible colleagues to participate in ASGBI membership, events, committees and educational activity.
- Ensure the breadth of professional backgrounds and service settings is reflected, including general surgery, emergency general surgery and related perioperative pathways.
- Build constructive links with relevant professional bodies, educational institutions and partner organisations where this supports ASGBI's objectives.

Strategic advice and representation:

- Provide the Executive Board with advice, where relevant, on developments affecting advanced practice and the wider multidisciplinary surgical workforce.
- Represent ASGBI at agreed external meetings or collaborative activities where appropriate.
- Help ASGBI communicate clearly about professional roles, scopes of practice and multidisciplinary working, recognising that titles and professional routes vary.

Eligibility Criteria

- Be a registered health or care professional currently working at an advanced level, or in an allied health professional role with substantial experience relevant to general or emergency surgery.
- Have a clear understanding of advanced practice within multidisciplinary surgical services and the professional governance relevant to their own scope of practice.
- Demonstrate a strong interest in education, professional development and collaborative working.
- Be able to engage confidently with clinicians, committees, professional bodies and partner organisations.
- Be an ASGBI member at the point of appointment, or be willing to become a member on appointment.

Committee Responsibilities

- The Lead will be invited to contribute to relevant ASGBI committees, Executive Board and Council discussions as required, particularly where education, membership, workforce or multidisciplinary practice is being considered.
- The role may develop into a small working group or professional network, subject to approval by the ASGBI Executive Board.
- Travel and other agreed expenses will be covered in accordance with ASGBI policy.

Application Process

Applicants should provide a current CV and prepare a short (350 word) statement detailing their qualifications and experience, outlining why they are suitable for the role. Submissions should be made online: https://www.asgbi.org.uk/about-us/vacancies.

General enquiries can be made to:

Jillian Hart, General Manager

Email: jillian@asgbi.org.uk

Shortlisted applicants may be invited for interview by members of the ASGBI Executive Board.

Equality and Diversity Statement

ASGBI is committed to promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion across all roles and activities. We actively encourage applicants from all backgrounds and underrepresented groups.