



Commonwealth Games NI – Medical Advisor

Background

Commonwealth Games Northern Ireland (CGNI) is seeking to recruit a Medical Advisor. The information below serves as an invitation for practitioners who meet the criteria to submit their CV and a covering letter as an expression of interest to fulfil the role.

Expressions of interest will be accepted until 5:00pm on Thursday 16th March 2023. The selection process will consist of an initial paper sift, followed by a panel interview if required. Any interviews are likely to be held in late March, but specific dates and timings will be discussed with the candidates involved. An appointment is expected to be made before the end of March 2023.

The successful candidate must ensure that they are available to meet the requirements of fulfilling the allocated job role, including all necessary dates during the planning phases for the Trinbago 2023 Commonwealth Youth Games and the Victoria 2026 Commonwealth Games.

The successful candidate will be expected to lead on the planning process so that an efficient system of medical support can be implemented at the Games. The post does not necessarily involve a Games time role. CGNI is committed to ensuring that team members are suitably supported. The Medical Advisor will be key to identifying the best option for Games-time, and this may include their attendance at Games.

Application Process

- Information regarding the application process will be distributed through several relevant channels: CGNI website and social media
SportNI
Northern Ireland Sports Forum.
- Transparency regarding the time commitment is essential, with applicants being required to confirm their availability throughout the tenure.
- Home Country Sports Institute (HCSI) and National Governing Body (NGB) employees must ensure that they will be released and that they have capacity alongside their contracted duties.
- External candidates are invited to apply, and each application will be considered on an equal basis.
- This is a voluntary role. Agreed out-of-pocket expenses incurred in fulfilling the role can be reclaimed.
- To express an interest, a CV should be submitted by post or email using the information at the end of this form. A covering letter should detail how the essential experience is met.

Role	Medical Advisor
Reporting to	Chief Executive
Dates Active in Role	From April 2023 to March 2027.
Location of Work	Primarily within Northern Ireland but travel may be required throughout the Commonwealth Games environment.
Key Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide advice regarding the provision of high-quality Medical Support Services, engaging practitioners from a variety of fields, especially sports medicine and physiotherapy. • To assist with planning for continuity of care throughout the pre-Games and Games-time periods. • To plan a responsive, accessible medical service for all members of TeamNI, in the Athletes' Village, at training and competition venues and at all other locations as deemed appropriate. • To ensure a high standard of health promotion and preventative care in conjunction with other athlete support staff, including the provision of advice on the prevention of illness and injury. • To advise CGNI on the specific medical support requirements relating to Trinbago 2023 and Victoria 2026. • Work with CGNI to appoint suitable medical personnel for attendance at Trinbago 2023 and Victoria 2026. • To liaise with host organising committees where required. • To liaise with other medical personnel, sports science staff and other support personnel as required to ensure the highest standard of care of an athlete's illness or injury and optimise rehabilitation and management, whilst always working within the GMC/CSP/CGNI guidelines on confidentiality. • To promote drug free sport and have a working knowledge of Anti-Doping good practice. • To refer to specialists and other members of the support team as appropriate. • To advise on the implementation of a system of record keeping for the wider athlete support team.
Special Requirements	Safeguarding vetted and trained in compliance with professional standards. UK Anti-Doping Advisor course to be completed upon appointment.
Time commitment	Time commitment will be as required to fulfil the role and its significant fluctuating demands during the Games cycle. The post-holder will be required to acknowledge this and work in a flexible manner to accommodate all requests where appropriate. The commitment is likely to average one day per month, but this would increase significantly if attendance at Games is required.

Relationships and Interfaces	Works closely with CGNI staff and Board. Contacts with governing bodies, Games organising committees and equivalent personnel within other Commonwealth Games Associations.
Personnel Specification	<p>Essential Qualifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MSc/Diploma (or equivalent) in Sports and Exercise Medicine • GMC or Health & Care Professions Council registered. <p>Essential Experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current practitioner within the UK or Irish high-performance sport network • Minimum 10 years' clinical experience in elite sport • Previous experience of planning medical cover for an international multisport event • An understanding of the operating procedures applied within an elite multi-sport team at international level. • Extensive knowledge of the Northern Ireland high-performance sporting environment. <p>Personal Attributes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proven team player • Availability throughout planning phases as detailed • Excellent communication skills • Committed, dynamic and productive. • Excellent organisational skills • Excellent management and people skills

Applicants should forward their CV with a covering letter detailing how they meet the essential experience.

For further information or to submit an expression of interest, contact:

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