

Resuscitation Council UK Recommended Summary Plan for Emergency Care and Treatment (ReSPECT) Subcommittee Member

Resuscitation Council UK (RCUK) is excited to invite applications from healthcare professionals with experience in caring for children, young people and/or neonates with life limiting conditions to join the ReSPECT Subcommittee.

This voluntary post is an important opportunity to contribute to the ongoing development and utilisation of the ReSPECT process across the UK.

As a member of the RCUK ReSPECT Subcommittee, you will be involved in:

- The continued development of the ReSPECT process, including reviewing recommendations for changes to the ReSPECT process and plan.
- Providing direction and retaining oversight of adoption and implementation across the UK.
- Producing and approving guidance for use in areas that have adopted the ReSPECT process.
- Fostering and developing good working relationships with other organisations to improve the adoption and implementation of ReSPECT across the UK.

As a member of the subcommittee, you will gain experience in quality assurance, liaising with a diverse range of stakeholders and evaluating evidence about emergency care and treatment planning, particularly in relation to children and young people, and considering how this could be incorporated into the ReSPECT process and supporting materials.

You will be expected to:

- Attend three ReSPECT subcommittee meetings a year, which are held either virtually or at the RCUK office in London (reasonable travel expenses to attend meetings are covered). Additional meetings may be organised when there is a definite need identified.
- Do a variable amount of work in your own time. This typically equates to two hours per month.
- Offer specialist input to the subcommittee that represents the needs of children and young people and their families and offer guidance as to how the ReSPECT process can best serve them.

We are looking for the right person to fill this vacancy who has specialist experience of children and young people with life-limiting conditions and knowledge of using or writing emergency care plans. An understanding of the legal aspects of consent to treatment in this age group, as well as experience in communicating with children, young people and their families, is required.

If you are interested in this opportunity and would like to discuss it further, please email Tom Wood, Clinical Lead for ReSPECT at tom.wood@resus.org.uk.

To apply, please send your CV with a short covering letter explaining why you would like the role to info@respectprocess.org.uk by Friday 10 October 2025.

SPECIFICATION	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE	HOW ASSESSED
Qualifications	Registered healthcare professional.	Evidence of higher qualifications such as degrees or fellowships ideally related to emergency care planning in children, resuscitation or law and ethics.	CV and registration check
Educational experience	Evidence of educating others in subjects relevant to emergency care planning and or resuscitation.	Evidence of developing teaching materials relevant to emergency care planning.	CV and covering letter
Clinical experience	Extensive experience in caring for children and young people and/ or neonates and their families.	A senior clinician who is involved in advanced decision-making and emergency care planning.	CV and covering letter
Research and innovation	Has been involved in improvement projects or research related to emergency care planning or end of life care for children and young people or neonates.	Has led projects or initiatives related to emergency care planning.	CV and covering letter
Personal qualities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ability to work within a multi-disciplinary team • A holistic approach to care, understanding the psychosocial and cultural needs of children and their families • excellent communication skills • good time management • able to work to deadlines • flexible in approach 		CV and covering letter
Engagement	Interested in the work of RCUK, ReSPECT and emergency care planning	Works at a senior strategic level in the UK.	CV and covering letter
Availability	Attendance at the majority of ReSPECT Subcommittee meetings	Willingness to contribute to RCUK conferences and events	CV and covering letter