

Associate Director, Clinical QA

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Spain

Summary

LOCATION: London, UK or Dublin, Rep of Ireland, Barcelona, Spain
ROLE TYPE: Hybrid Working

The Associate Director, Clinical QA will provide Quality oversight for the end-to-end clinical process for the clinical trials under responsibility to ensure compliance with the Health Authorities requirements, the internal standards and a full adherence to patients' safety, rights and well-being.

About the Role

Key Responsibilities:

- Proactively provide QA leadership to the business strategy for assigned programs/trials by ensuring considerable organization awareness (e.g. Interrelationship of departments and business priorities),
- Drive implementation of quality strategy within Global Clinical Team (GCT)/ Clinical Trial Team (CTT) under responsibility
- Regularly monitor the implementation of the annual Quality Plan pertaining to the assigned programs/studies
- Ensure adequate oversight of proactive quality risk management process in the overseen areas including quality risk assessments and submission/inspection readiness activities and ensure that Clinical Trial Process (CTP) are in control
- Provide robust and clear quality oversight in the following areas of clinical development:
 - Support/collaborate with key stakeholders (e.g., Country Development Quality (CDQ), Development Units (DUs), GCT and/or CTT members) to ensure that risks are detected and remediated.
 - Support core governance for quality incident management for critical and major deviations pertinent to the programs being assigned and ensure timely escalation when required.
 - Provide Good Clinical Practice (GCP) guidance to day-to-day questions arising from Clinical trials deliverables.
 - Collaborate with Country Development QA and External Service Providers (ESP) QA to drive initiatives relevant to internal monitoring and outsourced activities Quality oversight.
 - Support inspections preparation and facilitation in collaboration with other QA groups within Research & Development Quality (RDQ).
 - Support audits and inspections follow-up activities including Corrective & preventative Actions (CAPA) preparation.
- Actively leverage audit/inspection outcomes/trends to sustain improvement in clinical trials conduct.
- Active participation in continuous improvement initiatives (including Work streams) and ensure that areas identified as weaknesses are properly being addressed and executed for sustainability

- Be QA point of contact for the defined trials and attend the meetings and ensure quality is embedded in the decision taking processes.

Essential Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree in life science or healthcare field required. Advanced degree or equivalent education/degree in life sciences/healthcare preferred (PhD/MD/ PharmD/ Masters).
- 7 years of involvement in regulated activities (GCP/ Pharmacovigilance (PV)), clinical development and/or QA positions.
- Broad understanding of global expectations of Health Authorities in the area of Clinical Development and profound understanding of the science of product development.
- Ability to work independently and in a global/matrix environment.
- 3 or more years' experience in managing projects.
- Strong skills in GCP, quality and/or clinical development

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Dublin (Country President Office (CPO)), Ireland
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Alternative Location 3
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Functional Area
Quality
Job Type
Full time
Employment Type
Regular
Shift Work
No
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