






## UK Medicines for Children Research Network



### Chair: Respiratory and Cystic Fibrosis Clinical Studies Group

The Medicines for Children Research Network (MCRN) was developed to facilitate the conduct of randomised trials and other well-designed studies of medicines for children, including those for prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

Ten Clinical Studies Groups (CSGs) have been established across all paediatric specialties to oversee the development of a high quality portfolio of research for the MCRN. The main role of the MCRN CSGs is the consideration of clinical studies to run through the MCRN. CSGs have the following generic remit:

-  To be responsible for developing and overseeing its portfolio of studies
-  To propose and develop new trials and other well-designed studies
-  To consider trials proposed by others, and advise the MCRN Trial Adoption Committee
-  To provide specific advice to investigators
-  To ensure consumer involvement in all activities

Clinical Studies Groups hold 2 meetings per year and one teleconference. CSG Chairs also attend the MCRN CSG Chairs Forum two times per year.

### **We are currently seeking applications for the position of Chair of the Respiratory and Cystic Fibrosis CSG**

We are looking for someone with a strong track record in paediatric respiratory research, preferably someone who has been closely aligned with the British Paediatric Respiratory Society. The selected Chair will need to be a clinician with academic excellence, and be able to demonstrate an ability to provide leadership to a research group and be prepared to take action and implement decisions. The successful applicant needs to be able to demonstrate highly developed leadership skills, be an excellent communicator and a strong team player.

Selection will be made against set criteria and the appointment will be made strictly on merit.

The appointment is for three years and is a *voluntary*, not remunerated position

**If you are interested in serving as the MCRN Respiratory and Cystic Fibrosis CSG Chair, please submit your CV and covering letter in support of your application to Jennifer Blakeburn, Clinical Studies Groups Administrator at [Jennifer.Blakeburn@liv.ac.uk](mailto:Jennifer.Blakeburn@liv.ac.uk) by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2006.**

Further information about the MCRN and CSGs, along with the 'CSG Remit Document' (including Chairs Job Description) can be found at [www.mcrn.org.uk](http://www.mcrn.org.uk).

You may contact the current Chair of this CSG, Professor Warren Lenney ([wlenney@lycos.com](mailto:wlenney@lycos.com)) or Jennifer Blakeburn if you wish to discuss this position prior to application.