

# Vendor Alliance Lead Associate Director (Cardiac Safety and Respiratory Diagnostics)

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## Сводка

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Employment Type: Full-time. Hybrid or Remote (for eligibility for remote working certain conditions must apply. This can be discussed at interview).

Office Locations: London (The Westworks).

Please note this position is also available in our Dublin location on a Hybrid working basis. Please apply to the separate advertisement for Dublin.

Novartis is unable to offer relocation support for this role: please only apply if you are able to easily access the London office. Remote working in the UK can be discussed at interview.

## About the Role

Novartis is seeking an experienced Vendor Alliance Lead Associate Director to lead strategic partnerships and vendor delivery across cardiac safety, cardiac disease and respiratory diagnostics within Global Clinical Operations (GCO).

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This is a senior, stand-alone role with high visibility and accountability and with significant oversight of Contract Vendor Start-Up Managers. You will act as the primary face of Novartis to specialist vendors and CRO partners, ensuring high-quality, compliant and timely delivery of diagnostic services critical to patient safety and regulatory success.

You will operate in a global, matrixed environment, overseeing vendor performance, qualification and risk management, while indirectly leading Contract Vendor Start-Up Managers embedded within CROs.

## Requirements

- Lead end-to-end vendor oversight, governance and performance across cardiac and respiratory diagnostic services
- Act as the senior escalation point for vendor issues, driving structured issue resolution and root-cause analysis
- Proactively identify and manage operational, quality and compliance risks
- Oversee vendor qualification and re-qualification in partnership with Quality and Procurement
- Represent Novartis in key vendor discussions, governance forums and business reviews
- Indirectly oversee CRO-based Vendor Start-Up Managers (approx. 3 indirect reports)
- Support audits and Health Authority inspections, ensuring inspection-ready documentation

What you will bring to the role:

## Education

- Advanced degree in Life Sciences, Medicine, Pharmacy, Biomedical Sciences or related discipline, or equivalent experience

## Professional Experience (Essential)

- Significant experience working in a GxP-regulated environment
- Proven experience in vendor and CRO management within clinical development
- Strong programme management capability, managing multiple vendors and studies concurrently
- Hands-on experience in the cardiac and respiratory diagnostic space, including deep understanding of vendor capabilities and market landscape
- Demonstrated ability to independently engage, challenge and lead senior vendor stakeholders
- Experience supporting inspections, audits and regulatory interactions

## Leadership & Style

- Self-starter with the confidence to "step in", assess situations quickly and take ownership

- Comfortable operating as a stand-alone role with indirect reports
- Technically fluent enough to lead detailed vendor discussions without reliance on others
- Strong communicator who can drive outcomes in complex, matrixed environments

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Development  
Business Unit  
Development  
Место  
Великобритания  
Сайт  
London (The Westworks)  
Company / Legal Entity  
GB16 (FCRS = GB016) Novartis Pharmaceuticals UK Ltd.  
Functional Area  
Research & Development  
Job Type  
Full time  
Employment Type  
Regular  
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No

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