



UK Health  
Security  
Agency

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# Chief Scientific Officer UK Health Security Agency



# Why join the UK Health Security Agency?

Susan Hopkins, Chief Executive Officer

**Thank you for considering a role at the UK Health Security Agency.**



Protecting people from health threats is not a slogan. It is our statutory duty, our moral purpose, and the standard by which we should be judged every day. The United Kingdom faces a new era of health security risk: pandemic pathogens, antimicrobial resistance, climate-driven vector spread, air pollution, system fragility, cyber threats, and the erosion of

public trust. The pace is faster. The scrutiny is sharper. The margin for error is smaller. UKHSA exists to meet that challenge.

## **Our Mission**

**To protect people from health threats.**

That means understanding risks earlier, preventing harm where we can, and responding decisively when threats emerge. It means translating surveillance into action, science into policy, and operational capability into real-world protection for communities across the country.

## **Our Vision**

**We are building an agency that is:**

**Science-led:** Decisions grounded in rigorous, independent, transparent science. We invest in epidemiology, laboratory science, behavioural insight, modelling, genomics, and clinical expertise because evidence must shape action.

**Data-driven:** Real-time surveillance, integrated data systems, and analytical excellence that allow us to see patterns early, quantify risk, and target intervention. Data is not a by-product; it is core infrastructure.

**Operationally excellent:** The ability to mobilise at scale, deliver programmes nationally, manage incidents relentlessly, and sustain performance under pressure. Strategy without delivery is noise. We will be known for execution.

The Chief Scientific Officer will sit at the centre of this ambition. This is not an advisory role at the margins. It is a leadership role at the core of the Agency's identity.

## **The Role of ExCo**

ExCo is not a reporting forum. It is the leadership engine of UKHSA.

We are accountable collectively for the whole organisation - its science, its people, its culture, its delivery and its

reputation. The Chief Scientific Officer is a pivotal member of this team: shaping strategic direction, strengthening professional standards, building capability, and ensuring that our scientific voice is both authoritative and trusted.

We expect ExCo members to lead beyond their portfolios. To challenge constructively. To own difficult decisions. To hold the line on standards when pressure mounts. And to act as one team.

We have four behavioural commitments we have made to each other and the organisation. These are:

**Kindness** – We treat colleagues, partners and the public with respect. High standards and humanity are not opposites.

**Candour** – We speak plainly about risk, uncertainty and failure. Public trust depends on honesty.

**Curiosity** – We question assumptions, invest in learning, and remain open to new evidence and new methods.

**Courage** – We take difficult decisions, stand by scientific advice, and act early when others hesitate.

These values matter most when pressure rises. That is when culture is tested.

### **Why Join UKHSA Now**

This is a defining moment. Health security has never been more visible. The public understands its importance. Ministers expect impact. Partners expect leadership. The country expects credibility.

Few roles offer this scale of influence. Fewer still offer the opportunity to shape how a country prepares for the next crisis and prevents it where possible.

This is demanding work. It requires intellectual authority, operational realism,

and personal resilience. It requires partnership across government, the NHS, academia and industry. It requires leaders who are as comfortable in incident rooms as they are in scientific debate.

But the prize is substantial: measurable impact on population health, strengthened national resilience, and an organisation whose reputation rests on competence, integrity and delivery.

If you are motivated by purpose rather than profile, by impact rather than title, and by the opportunity to build something enduring then UKHSA offers a rare platform.

I look forward to welcoming leaders who are ready to help us protect people from health threats and to build an agency that is unequivocally science-led, data-driven and operationally excellent.

Best wishes,  
**Susan**

# About the role

## Job Title

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Chief Scientific Officer (CSO)

## Hours

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Full time: 10 sessions M&D, 37 hours SCS or 37.5 AfC per week. Hours dependent on terms and conditions.

## Location

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Hybrid working. We offer flexible working opportunities at UKHSA and operate using a hybrid working model where business needs allow. This provides us with greater flexibility about how and where we work, for our workforce to thrive and to maximise our organisational efficiency. As a hybrid worker, you will be expected to spend a minimum of 60% of your contractual working hours (approximately 3 days a week pro rata, (averaged over a month) working at one of UKHSA's core locations (Birmingham, Leeds, Liverpool, and London - Canary Wharf) or at one of our scientific campus sites (Colindale, Porton and Chilton). You may also be based in one of UKHSA supporting hubs, or health protection operation centres. Whilst the role can be based nationally, there is a need to travel regularly to our HQ in London.

## Salary

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£109,725 to £200,00 per annum, pro rata

Existing Civil Servants will be appointed in line with the Civil Service pay rules in place on the date of their appointment.

Individuals who are on Medical and Dental / Agenda for Change pay scales will be appointed to their increment including existing Clinical Excellence Awards.

## Contract Type

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This role is being offered on a permanent basis.

## Terms and conditions

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Senior Civil Service (3) / Medical Consultant / Agenda for Change.

## The Role

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With the CEO, Chief Medical Advisor, Chief Data Officer and Chief Operating Officer, the Chief Scientific Officer (CSO) will provide global and national leadership across health security and health protection for UKHSA as

well as across the Public Health, academic, research and clinical environment. The CSO's focus will be on identifying the evidence that underpins UKHSA's services and products to people and the government. The CSO will lead the UKHSA's agreed approach to high quality science and research and in particular understanding its impact on delivery and health outcomes. They will provide professional leadership for the Science and Engineering profession within UKHSA and for researchers, ensuring UKHSA offers a brilliant place for professionals to develop their career, establishing science and evidence as the nerve-centre of UKHSA.

The CSO will lead a Group which comprises approximately 2,500 professionals in 4 directorates providing a broad range of scientific functions and services delivered from our 3 main scientific campuses of UKHSA: Colindale (London), Porton Down (Wiltshire) and Harwell (Oxfordshire) and regional network of laboratories.

The CSO will provide quality and impactful science and research which can be applied to reduce the impact and harm of all-hazards to the health of people in the UK, influencing researchers and funders to focus on health protection and security priorities. The CSO

will ensure that UKHSA policy, practice and interventions are first and foremost informed by evidence (from all relevant disciplines) and amplify the voice of all scientific disciplines in deliberations and discussions, championing all relevant areas of expertise with decision makers.

The CSO will lead on delivering a compelling and effective Science and Research Strategy for UKHSA, including determining the scientific priorities which will deliver health protection policy, ensuring prioritisation remains 'live' so that critical new topics are accounted for as they emerge. They will bring together multi-disciplinary teams, with the right mix of scientific disciplines to deliver against science and research priorities; delivering science and research projects and potentially commission research to develop evidence bases required to deliver on UK health security policy.

The CSO will provide world-class advice, guidance, and expertise across scientific priorities, actively establishing partnerships across UKHSA, the Public Health system, as well as the wider scientific community in the UK and internationally as well as providing knowledge mobilisation, knowledge management and library services to ensure that evidence is available, as required across UKHSA, but also shared externally with partners wherever feasible. It is key that the CSO establishes strong research, standard setting, quality assurance and a culture of

innovative thinking, ensuring evidence is translated into health protection delivery interventions.

To be successful, the CSO will need to be a collaborative leader, putting the people who we serve first and working across the system with academia, industry, public sector research establishments and institutes, research funders including UKRI / NIHR, international organisations as well as across the internal functions of the UKHSA. This is a key role as part of the Executive Committee on UKHSA and therefore it is fundamental the individual can operate as part of a high performing team, comfortable working in ambiguity and always works collaboratively across the whole Executive team.

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### Key responsibilities will include:

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#### Scientific Professional Leadership:

- Providing professional leadership across UKHSA for Scientific roles including overseeing embedded resource, as well as determining the workforce development required to ensure the right mix of skills and experience for the future and for new programmes.
- Establish links to academia and industry for specialist insight and skills and establish processes for relevant and appropriate honorary contracts to draw in these skills quickly when required.

- Establish strong partnerships and relationships across government and key partners to influence strategic choices relating to science and research priorities.

#### Operational delivery:

- Lead a group of approximately 2500 scientists and support staff delivering a wide range of scientific functions and services including microbiology, radiation protection, toxicology, behavioural sciences and evaluation.

#### Research & Development:

- Leading Research & Development processes for UKHSA, including piloting new interventions / services / technologies, identifying funding models and translating R&D into service adoption.
- Monitor real world data and carry out horizon scanning to identify new services, interventions or technologies and carry out discovery activity to determine prioritisation.
- Enable activity to determine viability for new services, interventions, or technologies - complete proof of concepts and piloting.
- Protect intellectual property in line with overarching guidance and work with business development team

to identify opportunities for commercialisation and benefits.

- Establishing Research Knowledge Mobilisation processes to develop a culture of consistency and quality, with evidence and knowledge accessible to support science and research aims and objectives.
- Deliver Library Services for UKHSA, including literature searching, enquiry services and document delivery.

#### **Chemical, radiation, environmental and climate science:**

- Scientific leadership for chemical, radiation and environmental hazards, including toxicology, radiation protection, environmental exposure science, and related risk assessment methodologies.
- Scientific assessment of climate-related health threats, including the impacts of climate change on infectious disease dynamics, environmental hazards, heat, air quality, and compound risk.
- Maintaining authoritative scientific capability to support government on all-hazards health security.

#### **Laboratory reference science and national networks:**

- National laboratory reference functions, including designation, quality standards, method development, validation, and assurance.
- Strategic leadership of the UKHSA laboratory network, including regional and specialist laboratories, reference units, and specialist science campuses.
- Ensuring laboratory capability supports surveillance, incident response, variant and threat characterisation, research and innovation.
- Stewardship of laboratory research platforms, ensuring reference science, applied research, and service delivery are coherently aligned.
- Developing and maintaining laboratory surge and resilience capability, including workforce, infrastructure, and partnerships.

#### **Scientific Policy and Partnerships:**

- Overseeing the development and delivery of UKHSA's Science and Research Strategy,

including establishing a robust prioritisation approach, setting research standards, and overseeing ethics reviews, as well as building partnerships across public sector and industry.

- Facilitate the development of evidence-based science and research policy.
- Work across UKHSA and cross-government to influence wider policy to ensure that UKHSA scientific priorities are considered.
- Oversee scientific stakeholder engagement, building partnerships across academia, cross-government and into industry, working closely with Commercial colleagues, to partner on research opportunities and to jointly secure funding.

We expect all our senior leaders to be:

- Confident – in our engagement with others
- Empowering – to allow our teams to deliver.
- Inspiring – about our work and its future

## Civil Service Code

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The [Civil Service Code](#) sets out the standards of behaviour expected of you and other civil servants. These are based on the core values which are set out in legislation.

As a civil servant, you are expected to carry out your role with dedication and a commitment to the Civil Service and its core values of:

- 'integrity' - putting the obligations of public service above your own personal interests.
- 'honesty' - being truthful and open.
- 'objectivity' - basing your advice and decisions on rigorous analysis of the evidence.
- 'impartiality' - acting solely according to the merits of the case and serving equally well governments of different political persuasions.

These core values support good government and ensure the achievement of the highest possible standards in all that the Civil Service does. This in turn helps the Civil Service to gain and retain the respect of ministers, Parliament, the public and its customer

# Person Specification

It is important through your CV and Statement of Suitability that you provide evidence and examples of proven experience of these selection criteria.

## Essential:

- Appropriate professional qualifications in their area of expertise with evidence of Fellowship of Professional Societies, MD, PhD or equivalent including expertise in microbiology, radiation or chemical scientific disciplines.
- A track record of leading a large and complex operations and scientific units including conducting health research with national and international credibility and successfully managing large budgets and teams, strategic management of research and evidence capabilities.
- A high-level understanding of the current issues in policy related, evaluative, translational and basic health science with the ability to understand and synthesise science across the range of quantitative and qualitative disciplines needed for health policy and communicate it clearly and accurately to policymakers verbally and in writing.
- A track record of successful working with policy makers and a broad understanding of government and successfully delivering the operational aspects of policies, programmes or initiatives.
- Widely recognised leadership skills, excellent interpersonal and communication skills with evidence of motivational and evidenced experience as a trainer including specialist skills capacity analysis and planning with evidence on promoting equity in recruitment and management including nurturing a culturally and socially diverse workforce.
- Personal resilience – experience of working effectively and of leading a team successfully during periods of sustained pressure, scrutiny and ambiguity.

## Desirable

- Fellowship of the Academy of Medical Science or equivalent.
- Experience of working in a research funding organisation or government department in a senior strategic management role and first-hand experience of working with Ministers.
- Experience of working with industry (or if from industry with the public sector).
- An understanding of laboratory science, evidence reviews and operational laboratory management.

As the most senior Scientific leader for UKHSA this individual must exhibit good judgement and strong principles – holding and delivering a pragmatic, professional and evidence-based view under challenge.

Terms and conditions will be dependent on registration. GMC/UKPHR candidates who are on the specialist register will qualify for medical and dental terms/Agenda for Change respectively.

## Security Clearance Level Requirement

*Please note that this role requires a minimum of Security Check vetting. If not already held, the successful candidate can start the role once Security Check (SC) clearance has been obtained. Where suitable, individuals may also be requested to undergo Developed Vetting.*

For meaningful National Security Vetting checks to be carried out individuals need to have lived in the UK for a sufficient period of time. You should normally have been resident in the United Kingdom for the last 10 years to obtain Developed Vetting (DV) clearance. UK residency less than the outlined periods may not necessarily bar you from gaining national security vetting and applicants should discuss with the recruitment team in the advert for further advice.

# Benefits of working for the Civil Service

Whatever your role, we take your career and development seriously and want to enable you to build a really successful career with the Department and wider Civil Service. It is crucial that our employees have the right skills to develop their careers and meet the challenges ahead, and you'll benefit from regular performance and development reviews to ensure this development is ongoing. As a Civil Service employee, you'll be entitled to a large range of benefits.

## Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion

**The Civil Service values and supports all its employees.**

We have strong and pro-active staff networks, special leave policies for hospital appointments, flexible working policies, workplace adjustments put in place for those who need them, and talent programmes to help everyone irrespective of background, to achieve their potential and thrive.

Diversity and inclusion matter at UKHSA. We are an inclusive organisation, where everyone can thrive, and our people are at the centre of what we do. To do that effectively we are committed to attracting, retaining and investing in a talented workforce that represents the diversity of our population. We will continue building a truly diverse workforce

and a culture of openness and inclusivity, where differences drive innovation to meet the needs of our workforce and communities, so we can serve them better. We will always see a person's background as an asset and welcome diversity of insight to improve our business and refine our approach. We have a dedicated set of diversity and inclusion strategic priorities which are strongly supported by our senior leaders, Executive Board, Diversity and Inclusion Champions and our staff networks.

## Pension

**Your pension is a valuable part of your total reward package.**

A competitive contributory pension scheme that you can enter as soon as you join where we will make a significant contribution to the cost of your pension; where your contributions come out of your salary before any tax is taken; and where your pension will continue to provide valuable benefits for you and your family if you are too ill to continue to work or die before you retire. Visit [Civil Service Pension Scheme](#) for more details. If joining on Medical & Dental terms and conditions, you will retain your NHS pension arrangements.

## Generous Annual Leave and Bank Holiday Allowance

25 days annual leave on entry, increasing on a sliding scale to 30 days after 5 years' service. This is in addition to 8 public holidays.

This will be complemented by one further day paid privilege entitlement to mark the King's Birthday.

## Staff Wellbeing

**Flexible Working Schemes** allowing you to vary your working day as long as you work your total hours.

Generous **paid maternity and paternity leave** which is notably more than the statutory minimum offered by many other employers.

**Onsite facilities** Opportunity to use onsite facilities including fitness centres and staff canteens (where applicable).

## Season Ticket and Bicycle Loan

Interest-free loans allowing you to spread the cost of an annual travel season ticket or a new bicycle.

## Sick Pay

Occupational sick pay.

## The Recruitment Process

### Application

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**Saxton Bampfylde Ltd is acting as an employment agency advisor to UK Health Security Agency on this appointment.**

Candidates should apply for this role through our website at [roles.saxbam.com](https://roles.saxbam.com) using code **OYYOC**.

The closing date for applications is noon on **27 May**

Click on the 'apply' button and follow the instructions to upload the following:

1. A **CV** setting out your career history, with key responsibilities and achievements and relevant professional qualifications. Please ensure you have provided reasons for any gaps within the last two years; and
2. A **Supporting Statement** (up to 1500 words) explaining how you consider your personal skills, qualities and experience providing evidence of your suitability for the role, with particular reference to the criteria in the person specification.

Failure to submit an application will mean the panel only have limited information on which to assess your application against the criteria in the person specification.

As part of the online application process, you will be asked a number of diversity-related questions. If you do not wish to provide a declaration on any of the particular characteristics, you will have the option to select 'prefer not to say'. The information you provide when submitting your application will help us monitor our progress towards the Civil Service becoming an inclusive employer and a great place to work. See the [Civil Service Diversity and Inclusion Strategy](#) for more information or go to [Equality and Diversity](#).

Should you encounter any issues with your online application or are unable to apply online please contact [maria.dodson@saxbam.com](mailto:maria.dodson@saxbam.com).

### Selection Process

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Paul Kernaghan, a Civil Service Commissioner, will chair the process. The Civil Service Commission has two primary functions:

- Providing assurance that selection for appointment to the Civil Service is on merit on the basis of fair and open competition as outlined in the [Civil Service Commission's Recruitment Principles](#). For the most senior posts in the Civil Service, the Commission discharges its responsibilities directly by overseeing the recruitment process and by a commissioner chairing the selection panel.
- Hearing and determining appeals made by civil servants under the Civil Service Code which sets out the Civil Service values – Impartiality, Objectivity, Integrity, and Honesty - and forms part of the relationship between civil servants and their employer.

More detailed information can be found on the [Civil Service Commission website](#).

In addition to Paul Kernaghan, the other panel members will be:

- **Susan Hopkins** – UKHSA's Chief Executive Officer
- **Chris Witty** – Chief Medical Officer for England
- **Jon Friedland** - Vice-President (Research & Innovation) at City St George's University of London.

### Longlist

Longlisted candidates will be invited to meet with Saxton Bampfylde for a preliminary interview week commencing 8 June.

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## Shortlist

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The panel will assess your application to select those demonstrating the best fit with the role by considering the evidence you have provided against the criteria set out in the 'Person Specification' section. Failure to address any or all of these may affect your application.

The timeline later in this pack indicates the date by which decisions are expected to be made, and all shortlisted candidates will be advised of the outcome as soon as possible thereafter.

## Assessment

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If you are shortlisted, you will be asked to take part in a series of assessments which will include psychometric tests, and a staff engagement exercise. These assessments will not result in a pass or fail decision. Rather, they are designed to support the panel's decision making and highlight areas for the panel to explore further at interview

Shortlisted candidates will be offered a fireside chat with the Chief Executive to provide an authoritative insight into the Agency and the challenges it faces. They will also be offered a fireside chat with DHSC's Chief Scientific Adviser, a key stakeholder for the role

You will be asked to attend a panel interview in order to have a more in-depth discussion of your previous experience and professional competence in relation to the criteria set out in the Person Specification. The interview will commence with a short presentation.

In the Civil Service we are challenging ourselves to become a more diverse and inclusive organisation. We recognise that recruitment and inclusion of individuals with diverse skills, perspectives and backgrounds will bring real strength to the organisation, the wider Civil Service and to society. To help support this aspiration all selection panels will have both female and ethnic minority and/or disabled membership.

Full details of the assessment process will be made available to shortlisted candidates.

## Offer

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Regardless of the outcome, we will notify all candidates as soon as possible after the final interview.

## Expected Timeline

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We will try and offer as much flexibility as we can, but it may not be possible to offer alternative dates for assessments or interviews. You are therefore asked to note the below timetable, exercising flexibility through the recruitment and selection process, in order to meet the dates given. Please note that these dates may be subject to change.

The anticipated timetable is as follows:

Advert Closing Date	12:00 on 27 May
Longlist	Week Commencing 1 June
Shortlist Meeting	Week Commencing 15 June
Assessments	Week Commencing 22 and 29 June
Interviews	10, 15 or 16 July

## FAQs

### **Can I apply if I am not currently a civil servant?**

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Yes. This role is open to suitably qualified people in the external market as well as existing civil servants.

### **Can I join on secondment terms?**

Yes, this role can be a secondment opportunity

### **Is this role suitable for part-time working?**

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This role is available for full-time. There may be some flexibility to offer less than full time or flexible working patterns. However, the importance and nature of the role makes this a demanding and sometimes time critical work delivery agenda so you should discuss any proposed alternative working pattern with [maria.dodson@saxbam.com](mailto:maria.dodson@saxbam.com) before applying.

### **Can this role be done as a job share?**

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Yes, the role can be done as a job share. We will only accept applications from candidates who apply as a job-share partnership. As joint candidates, please ensure you state this on your applications. At interview you will deliver your presentation together, demonstrating your shared leadership approach, while each of you will be interviewed separately to ensure both partners individually meet the required standard. You will also need to outline a clear

working-pattern proposal with planned overlap and show how you operate as a unified partnership with strong communication and collective accountability.

### **Will the role involve travel?**

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Some travel may be required for this role, including to represent the organisation across the UK.

### **Where will the role be based?**

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The role will be based at one of UKHSA's core locations (Birmingham, Leeds, Liverpool, and London) or at one of our scientific campus sites (Colindale, Porton and Chilton), supporting hubs, or health protection operation centres. Whilst the role can be based nationally, there is a need to travel regularly to our HQ in London.

Unfortunately, relocation costs will not be reimbursed.

### **Can I claim back any expenses incurred during the recruitment process?**

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No. Unfortunately we will not be able to reimburse you, except in exceptional circumstances and only when agreed in advance.

### **What nationality do I need to hold in order to apply?**

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To be eligible for employment to this role you must be a national from the following countries:

- The United Kingdom.
- The Republic of Ireland.
- The Commonwealth\*.
- European Economic Area (EEA) nationals with (or eligible for) status under the EU Settlement Scheme.
- Relevant EEA or Turkish nationals already working in the Civil Service.
- Relevant EEA or Turkish nationals who have built up the right to working the Civil Service; and
- Certain family members of the relevant EU and Turkish nationals.

*\*Individuals will need to demonstrate that they meet the relevant immigration requirements.*

For further information on whether you are eligible to apply, please visit [Gov.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

### **Is security clearance required?**

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Yes. If successful you must hold, or be able to obtain a minimum of Security Check vetting. If not already held, the successful candidate

can start the role once Security Check (SC) clearance has been obtained. Where suitable, individuals may also be requested to undergo Developed Vetting.

More information about the vetting process can be found [here](#).

Alternatively, please contact [maria.dodson@saxbam.com](mailto:maria.dodson@saxbam.com) for more information on the process.

### **What reasonable adjustments can be made if I have a disability?**

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We are committed to making reasonable adjustments in order to support disabled job applicants and ensure that you are not disadvantaged in the recruitment and assessment process.

If you feel that you may need a reasonable adjustment to be made, or you would like to discuss your requirements in more detail, please contact [maria.dodson@saxbam.com](mailto:maria.dodson@saxbam.com) in the first instance.

### **Do you offer a Guaranteed Interview Scheme for Disabled Persons?**

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Disabled applicants who meet the minimum selection criteria in the job specification are guaranteed an interview. Selection will be on merit. If you wish to claim a guaranteed interview under the Disability Commitment, you should complete the relevant section of the online application. It is not necessary to state the nature of your disability.

UKHSA is a Disability Confident Level 3 employer and has Carer Confident Level 2 accreditation. We also support the Great Place to Work for Veterans and Prison Leaver Recruitment schemes.

### **Will this role be overseen by the Civil Service Commission?**

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Yes. As this role is one of the more senior posts within the Civil Service, a commissioner will oversee the recruitment process and chair the selection panel.

More detailed information can be found on the Civil Service Commission [website](#).

### **What do I do if I want to make a complaint?**

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The law requires that selection for appointment to the Civil Service is on merit on the basis of fair and open competition as outlined in the [Civil Service Commission's Recruitment Principles](#).

If you feel your application has not been treated in accordance with the Recruitment Principles, and you wish to make a complaint, you should contact [scs.mdrecruitment@ukhsa.gov.uk](mailto:scs.mdrecruitment@ukhsa.gov.uk) in the first instance

If you are not satisfied with the response you receive from the Department, you can contact the [Civil Service Commission](#).

### **What should I do if I think that I have a conflict of interest?**

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Candidates must note the requirement to declare any interests that might cause questions to be raised about their approach to the business of the Department.

If you believe that you may have a conflict of interest, please contact [maria.dodson@saxbam.com](mailto:maria.dodson@saxbam.com) before submitting your application.

## Diversity & Inclusion

The Civil Service is committed to becoming an exemplar employer on inclusion.



We know that working inclusively and harnessing a range of talents means solving problems better, making better decisions and delivering better public services. We are committed to representing as broad a range of views and backgrounds as we have in UK society, focused not just on the characteristics protected under law but equally committed to greater socioeconomic diversity, greater regional diversity and to building teams where effectively harnessing cognitive diversity is the way decisions are made. We know that diverse perspectives and experiences are critical to an effective, modern Civil Service that delivers policies and services for all of our citizens.

Our vision is to ensure the Civil Service represents modern Britain and is a truly inclusive employer – an example to other employers. We will create an organisation where diversity and fairness are not only respected and valued – but celebrated - and where everyone can see where they belong, and no one feels excluded.

### What's in it for me?

We want to maximise the potential of everyone who chooses to work for us – regardless of background, working style or career experience.

If you're interested in becoming a world class leader, developing your career with us – starting with this interesting and challenging role – or doing things differently and inspiring colleagues, then the Civil Service is the place for [you](#).

Our passion for inclusion and equality means creating a work environment for all employees that is welcoming, respectful, fair, engaging, and enriched with opportunities for personal and professional development.

### What's next?

You've taken the first step and looked through this job pack to understand the skills and experience needed to perform this role. Now join us in achieving our ambitions and let us help you achieve yours. [Read more.](#)



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## Contact us

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Our work is regulated by the Civil Service Commission.

UKHSA is a Disability Confident employer.