

# Cardiothoracic surgeon

Cardiothoracic surgeons specialise in operating on the heart, lungs and other thoracic (chest) organs.

They also diagnose and treat diseases of these organs.

picture of a surgeon

## Life as a cardiothoracic surgeon

You'll see the immediate and life-changing results of your work, but your role will be hugely demanding. Diseases that occur in a person's chest are common killers and you'll be managing life and death scenarios every day.

Cardiothoracic surgery is a relatively young speciality that has experienced rapid growth through the introduction of new technologies.

Before surgery you'll meet with patients and their families to discuss and explain procedures and offer reassurance. Being crystal clear, empathetic and warm is vital to the success of your role.

The main areas of cardiothoracic surgery are:

- cardiac surgery
- thoracic surgery
- congenital cardiac surgery
- heart and lung transplant surgery

Monitoring patients in intensive care [1] after surgery is a vital part of your work. Although cardiothoracic surgery is very safe, complications can occur and you'll need to be prepared to deal with a host of conditions including arrhythmias (heart-beat irregularity), post-operative bleeding, stroke [2], pleural effusion (fluid around the lungs), wound infection or thrombosis [3].

As well as performing surgery, you'll be involved in the treatment and management of many different conditions within your speciality. You'll need to attend outpatient clinics, multidisciplinary team meetings and ward rounds.

## How much can I earn?

You'll first earn a salary when you start your [foundation training](#) <sup>[4]</sup> after medical school. Find out details of current salary ranges for foundation and specialty training, [SAS doctors](#) <sup>[5]</sup> and consultants on the ['Pay for doctors'](#) <sup>[6]</sup> page.

## How about the benefits?

- make a difference
- flexible and part-time working
- high income early in your career
- work anywhere in the world
- excellent pension scheme
- good holiday entitlement
- NHS discounts in shops and restaurants

## Must-have skills

- excellent communication skills to manage a wide range of relationships with colleagues, and patients and their families
- emotional resilience, a calm temperament and the ability to work well under pressure
- teamwork and the capacity to lead multidisciplinary teams
- problem-solving and diagnostic skills
- outstanding organisational ability and effective decision-making skills
- first-class time and resource management for the benefit of patients
- a high degree of manual dexterity
- superb hand-eye co-ordination, excellent vision, and visuospatial awareness
- physical stamina to cope with the demands of surgery

## Entry requirements

Your first step is medical school. Typically, you'll need excellent GCSEs and three A or A\* passes at A level including chemistry for a five-year undergraduate degree in medicine. Many medical schools also ask for biology and others may require maths or physics.

If you already have a degree, you could study for a four-year postgraduate degree in medicine.

You'll need to pass an interview and admissions test. You'll be asked to show how you demonstrate the NHS values such as compassion and respect.

Some medical schools look to recruit a mix of students from different backgrounds and geographical areas, so your educational and economic background and family circumstances could be considered as part of your application.

**"I had some great mentors who gave me the opportunity to operate on patients with supervision, and to look after very sick patients on the [intensive care](#) <sup>[1]</sup> unit after cardiac surgery."**

**Read Omar's story** <sup>[7]</sup>.

## **What are my chances of starting a career as a cardiothoracic surgeon?**

There are currently approximately 400 cardiothoracic surgeons working in the NHS in England. In 2020, there were between 5.86 and 9.92 applications for every specialty training place.

## **How to become a cardiothoracic surgeon**

After medical school, you'll join the paid two-year foundation programme <sup>[8]</sup> where you'll work in six placements in different settings.

After your foundation programme, you can apply for paid specialty training <sup>[9]</sup> to become a cardiothoracic surgeon, which will take a minimum of six or seven years.

You may be able to train part time, for example for health reasons or if you have family or caring responsibilities.

## **Where a career as a cardiothoracic surgeon can take you**

Working as a cardiothoracic surgeon, you'll have the opportunity to specialise in cardiac, thoracic or congenital surgery.

As a cardiac surgeon, you'll perform various kinds of surgery including:

- coronary artery bypass surgery – restoring blood flow to the heart by bypassing the narrowed coronary arteries
- heart valve surgery – repairing and replacing narrowed or leaking heart valves
- aortic surgery – replacing an enlarged or damaged blood vessel leaving the heart

If you choose to specialise as a thoracic surgeon, you'll perform a wide range of surgery including:

- surgery for lung cancer, tumours and cysts
- surgery on collapsed or infected lungs
- keyhole thoracic surgery (video assisted thoracoscopic surgery (VATS))
- chest-wall deformities (pectus surgery)

If you choose congenital cardiac surgery, you'll treat babies and children with heart diseases that have been present from birth. These conditions include:

- septal defects (a hole between two of the heart's chambers)
- aortic and pulmonary valve stenosis (where the valve is narrower than normal)
- transposition of the arteries

You could specialise or conduct research, teach medical students or postgraduate students in training and get involved in research at universities, the NHS or private sector.

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- **Consultant Cardiothoracic Radiologist**

Stoke on Trent, ST4 6QG

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust

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- **Consultant in Cardiothoracic Histopathology**

Cambridge Bio Medical Campus, CB2 0AY

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Royal Papworth Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Specialist Pharmacist- Adult Cardiothoracic**

317 01 Freeman Hospital, NE7 7DN

Salary:

£47810.00 to £54710.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant in Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia**

Oxford, OX3 9DU

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum Consultant in Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia**

London, EC1A 7BE

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Barts Health NHS Trust

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- **Senior Cardiothoracic Surgical Care Practitioner**

Basildon, SS16 5NL

Salary:

£55690.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Clinical Pharmacist - Cardiothoracic Surgery - Harefield Hospital**

Harefield, UB9 6JH

Salary:

£53751.00 to £60651.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Senior Clinical Fellow in Cardiothoracic Anaesthesia**

Uxbridge, UB9 6JH

Salary:

£70425.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

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- **OMFS Consultant Surgeon**

Plymouth, PL6 8DH

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust

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- **Consultant ENT Surgeon**

Luton, LU4 0DZ

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Urological Surgeon**

Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 7DN

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Hand Surgeon**

Doncaster, DN40TG

Barnsley, S71 1TH

Sheffield, S105UB

Sheffield, S80YH

Sheffield, S61GA

Rotherham, S639EH

Barnsley, S728SU

Sheffield, S56AZ

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Locum

Employer:

HealthHarmonie

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- **Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon**

Shepton Mallet, BA4 4LP

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Practice Plus Group

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- **Consultant Prostate Surgeon**

Southampton, SO16 6YD

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospital Southampton NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Cardiac Surgeon**

Oxford, OX3 9DU

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Dermatology Surgeon**

Grimsby, DN31 2BH

Salary:

£105000.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

HCRG Care Group

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- **Consultant Urological Surgeon**

Torquay, TQ2 7AA

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Vascular Surgeon**

London, SE5 9RS

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00



Type:

Permanent

Employer:

King's College Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Cleft Surgeon**

London, SE1 7EH

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Spinal Surgeon**

Sheffield, S11 8UX

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

One Health Group

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- **ToP Surgeon (Rotherham)**

Rotherham, S60 1FL

Salary:

£78488.17 to £109691.14

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

MSI Reproductive Choices

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for ToP Surgeon \(Rotherham\) job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[30]</sup>

- **Consultant Cardiac Surgeon**

Brighton, BN2 5BE

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

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- **Consultant Urological Surgeon**

London, E1 4DG

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Barts Health NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Colorectal Surgeon**

King's Lynn, PE30 4ET

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Queen Elizabeth Hospital King's Lynn NHSFT

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- **Consultant in Cardiac Surgery and Cardiothoracic Transplantation**

Manchester, M23 9LT

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum Paediatric Orthopaedic Surgeon**

Tooting, SW17 0QT

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Locum

Employer:

St George's University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon**

Worthing, BN11 2DH

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[36]</sup>

- **Locum Consultant Urological Surgeon**

Northampton, NN1 5BD

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Northampton General Hospital

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- **Locum Consultant Breast Surgeon**

Bristol, BS10 5NB

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Locum

Employer:

North Bristol NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Colorectal & General Surgeon**

Basildon/Broomfield/Southend, CM1 7ET

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum Consultant Vascular Surgeon**

Sheffield, S5 7AU

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon**

Wolverhampton, WV10 0QP

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon**

Brighton, BN1 6AG

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

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- **Consultant Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeon**

Lancaster, LA14RP

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Surgeon - Orthopaedics & Trauma**

Braddan, IM4 4RJ

Salary:

£107208.00 to £185166.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Manx Care

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- **Consultant General Surgeon ( Lower GI )**

Sheffield, S11 8UX

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

One Health Group

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- **Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon**

Salisbury, SP2 8BJ

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust

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Employer:

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- **Consultant Burns and Plastic Surgeon**

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Employer:

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- **Fellowship-trained Foot & Ankle Surgeon**

Sheffield, S11 8UX

Salary:

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Type:

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Employer:

One Health Group

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- **Consultant Burns and Plastic Surgeon**

Birmingham, B46NH

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Birmingham Women's and Children's NHS Foundation Trust

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Consultant Burns and Plastic Surgeon job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[48]</sup>

- **Fellowship-trained Foot & Ankle Surgeon**

Sheffield, S11 8UX

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

One Health Group

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- **Consultant Colorectal and General Surgeon**

Dorchester, DT1 2JY

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Dorset County Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum Consultant Plastic Surgeon - Hand Specialist**

Salisbury, SP2 8BJ

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Salisbury NHS Foundation Trust

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Locum Consultant Plastic Surgeon - Hand Specialist job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[51]</sup>

- **Fixed Term Consultant Oncoplastic Breast Surgeon**

Brighton, BN1 6AG

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

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- **Consultant Plastic Surgeon (Burns / General Plastic Surgery)**

Wakefield, WF14DG

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Mid Yorkshire Teaching NHS Trust

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- **Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon – Upper Limb or Shoulder & Elbow**

Shepton Mallet, BA4 4LP

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Practice Plus Group

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- **Consultant Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgeon, Hand and Wrist**

Wythenshawe, M23 9LT

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum Consultant Paediatric Surgeon with Interest in Oncology**

Leeds, LS1 3EX

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Locum

Employer:

Leeds Teaching Hospitals

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- **Consultant Ophthalmic Surgeon with specialist interest in Paediatrics**

Watford, WD18 0HB

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

West Hertfordshire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

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- **Consultant General Surgeon WSI Benign Upper GI Surgery**

Warwick, CV34 5BW

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

South Warwickshire University NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Consultant in Trauma and Orthopaedics - Hand and Wrist Surgeon**

Rotherham, S60 2UD

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust

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- **Locum ENT Consultant Surgeon with specialist interest in Paeds Otology**

London, E9 6SR

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Homerton Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Locum ENT Consultant Surgeon with specialist interest in Paeds Otology job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[60]</sup>

- **Locum ENT Consultant Surgeon with a specialist interest in Otology**

London, E9 6SR

Salary:

£109725.00 to £145478.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Homerton Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Locum ENT Consultant Surgeon with a specialist interest in Otology job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[61]</sup>

- **Locum Consultant Plastic Surgeon in Hand Surgery or Skin and General**

Bradford, BD9 6RJ

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Locum

Employer:

Bradford Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

[Apply now on NHS Jobs for Locum Consultant Plastic Surgeon in Hand Surgery or Skin and General job \(opens in a new window\)](#) <sup>[62]</sup>

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