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Paediatric cardiology

Paediatric cardiologists diagnose and treat children with heart conditions before they are born, through childhood and into adulthood.

Your patients will be infants and children with complex diagnostic and medical problems, and you'll work closely with specialist colleagues in a multidisciplinary team.



Life as a doctor in paediatric cardiology

As well as being an expert in heart disease, you'll also need a thorough grounding in general paediatrics. You'll work closely with your patient's family to explain complicated procedures and support and reassure them.

You'll use a range of advanced scanning and diagnostic techniques to assess conditions such as foetal cardiac abnormalities in the womb, heart failure in children and heart murmurs [1]. You'll diagnose and treat conditions such as congenital heart disease that is present at birth, variations in heartbeat rhythms (arrhythmias) and problems with circulatory function. In some cases, a heart transplant may be required.

You'll be based in a regional centre which could be part of a paediatric hospital, congenital cardiac unit or major cardiothoracic centre. Most centres hold joint outreach clinics with linked district hospitals in their areas.

You'll work longer hours than in most medical specialties because of the complex nature of the work. This includes a significant on-call commitment as patients are often admitted at night or have urgent post-operative needs.

How much can I earn?

You'll first earn a salary when you start your <u>foundation training</u> [2] after medical school. Find out details of current salary ranges for foundation and specialty training, <u>SAS doctors</u> [3] and consultants on the 'Pay for doctors' [4] 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

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.

What are my chances of starting a career in paediatric cardiology?

In 2021, there were 135 paediatric cardiology consultants working in the NHS in England. In addition, there were 35 applications for six specialty training places.

How to become a doctor in paediatric cardiology

After medical school, you'll join the paid two-year <u>foundation?programme</u> [5]?where you'll work in six placements in different settings.

After?your?foundation?programme, you can apply for paid <u>specialty training</u> [6] to become a doctor in paediatric cardiology,?which will take?a minimum of eight 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 paediatric cardiologist can take you

You could:

- specialise or conduct research in areas such as foetal cardiology and adult congenital heart disease
- teach medical students or postgraduate students in training?

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Locum Consultant Paediatric Cardiologist

London, SW3 6NP

Salary:

£93666.00 to £126281.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Guy's and St Thomas' NHS Foundation Trust

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Specialist Paediatric Dietitian – General Paediatrics

London, E1 1FR

Salary:

£44806.00 to £53134.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Barts Health NHS Trust

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Paediatric Audiologist

Norfolk, NR1 1AA

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Outpatient Network

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Paediatric Consultant

Swindon, SN3 6BB

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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Paediatric Dietitian

Blackpool, FY3 8NR

Salary:

£35392.00 to £42618.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Dietitian job (opens in a new window) [11]

Paediatric Audiologist

High Wycombe, HP11 2TT

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

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Paediatric Physiotherapist

Grimsby, DN33 2BA

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Northern Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Physiotherapist job (opens in a new window) [13]

Physiotherapist - Paediatrics

London, W2 1NY

Salary:

£35964.00 to £43780.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust

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Paediatric Audiologist

Dunstable, LU4 0DZ

Salary:

£46148.00 to £52809.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Bedfordshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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Paediatric Audiologist

London, N15 3TH

Salary:

£42939.00 to £50697.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Whittington Hospital NHS Trust

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Paediatric Audiologist

Watford, WD17 3EW

St Albans, AL1 3JE

The Marlowes, Hemel Hempstead, HP1 1LD

Salary:

£22.47

Type:

Bank

Employer:

NHS Professionals Limited

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Consultant Cardiologist

Wirral, CH49 5PE

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Wirral University Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust

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Specialist Paediatric Dietitian

London, SE18 4QH

Salary:

£46148.00 to £52809.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust

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Specialist Dietitian - Paediatric

Nottingham, NG7 2UH

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trusts

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Specialist Dietitian - Paediatric job (opens in a new window) [20]

Senior Paediatric Audiologist

Crawley, RH11 7DH

Salary:

£46148.00 to £52809.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Senior Paediatric Audiologist job (opens in a new window) [21]

Bank - Consultant - Paediatrics

Essex, SS0 0RY

Salary:

£100.00 to £110.00

Type:

Bank

Employer:

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

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Specialist Paediatric Dentist

London, SW10 9NH

Salary:

£96990.00 to £107155.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

<u>Apply now on NHS Jobs for Specialist Paediatric Dentist job (opens in a new window)</u>

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Specialist Paediatric Physiotherapist

Hounslow, TW3 3LN

Salary:

£51883.00 to £58544.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

West London NHS Trust

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Community Paediatric Dietitian

Carshalton, SM5 1JL

Salary:

£42939.00 to £50697.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust

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Senior Paediatric Physiotherapist

Derby, DE21 4BB

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

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Paediatric Deputy Sister

Brighton, BN2 5BE

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

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Community Paediatric Audiologist

Stockport, SK2 7JE

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

HealthHarmonie

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Community Paediatric Audiologist job (opens in a new window) [28]

Specialist Paediatric Physiotherapist

Brighton, BN2 5BE

Salary:

£37338.00 to £52809.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust (279)

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Paediatric Play Specialist

Stoke On Trent, ST4 6QG

Salary:

£26530.00 to £29114.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospital of North Midlands NHS Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Play Specialist job (opens in a new window)
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Paediatric Occupational Therapist

Morden, SM4 5LT

Salary:

£42939.00 to £50697.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Epsom and St Helier University Hospitals NHS Trust

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Consultant in Paediatrics

Whitehaven, CA28 8JG

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

North Cumbria Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust

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Specialist Dietitian – Paediatrics

Bodelwyddan, LL18 5UJ

Salary:

£37898.00 to £45637.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board

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Paediatric Occupational Therapist

Taunton, TA1 3EN

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Occupational Therapist job (opens in a new window) [34]

Paediatric Dietitian - Diabetes

Truro, TR1 3LJ

Salary:

£29970.00 to £36483.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust

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Paediatric Consultant Anaesthetist

Plymouth, PL6 8DH

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Consultant Anaesthetist job (opens in a new window) [36]

Paediatric Specialist Dietitian

Rotherham, S60 2UD

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

The Rotherham NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Specialist Dietitian job (opens in a new window) [37]

Specialist Paediatric Dietitian

Portsmouth Road, GU16 7UJ

Salary:

£19308.00 to £21972.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Specialist Paediatric Dietitian job (opens in a new window) [38]

Paediatric Physiotherapist (bank)

Chelmsford, CM2 5PF

Salary:

£24.05 to £28.98

Type:

Bank

Employer:

Provide CIC

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Physiotherapist (bank) job (opens in a new window) [39]

Senior Paediatric Audiologist

London, WC1N 3JH

Salary:

£54320.00 to £60981.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Foundation Trust Apply now on NHS Jobs for Senior Paediatric Audiologist job (opens in a new window) [40]

Senior Paediatric Audiologist

London, NW10 7NS

Salary:

£42939.00 to £50697.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

London North West University Healthcare NHS Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Senior Paediatric Audiologist job (opens in a new window) [41]

Paediatric Diabetes Educator

Southampton, SO16 6YD

Salary:

£29970.00 to £36483.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

University Hospital Southampton NHS Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Diabetes Educator job (opens in a new window) [42]

Paediatric Audiology Lead

High Wycombe, HP11 2TT

Salary:

£53755.00 to £60504.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Audiology Lead job (opens in a new window) [43]

Senior Paediatric Physiotherapist

Chertsey, KT16 0PZ

Salary:

£40617.00 to £48778.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Ashford & St. Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

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Occupational Therapist (Paediatrics)

Jarrow, NE32 3UX

Salary:

£29970.00 to £36483.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

South Tyneside and Sunderland NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Occupational Therapist (Paediatrics) job (opens in a <u>new window</u>) [45]

Paediatric Ward Clerk

York, YO31 8HE

Salary:

£24169.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

York and Scarborough Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Ward Clerk job (opens in a new window) [46]

Senior Paediatric Physiotherapist

Poole, Dorset, BH15 2JB

Salary:

£37338.00 to £44962.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Senior Paediatric Physiotherapist job (opens in a new window) [47]

Resident Doctor Paediatrics

London, W1W 5AH

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

HCA Healthcare UK

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Resident Doctor Paediatrics job (opens in a new window) [48]

Paediatric Music Therapist

Cambridge, CB20QQ

Salary:

£46148.00 to £52809.00

Type:

Fixed-Term

Employer:

Cambridge University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Music Therapist job (opens in a new window) [49]

Paediatric Consultant Radiologist

Swindon, SN3 6BB

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Great Western Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Consultant Radiologist job (opens in a new window) [50]

Consultant Paediatric Radiologist

Salford, M6 8HD

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Consultant Paediatric Radiologist job (opens in a new window) [51]

Consultant Paediatric Haematologist

Nottingham, NG7 2UH

Salary:

£105504.00 to £139882.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trusts

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Consultant Paediatric Haematologist job (opens in a new window) [52]

Bank ST3+ - Paediatrics

Essex, SS00RY

Salary:

Negotiable

Type:

Bank

Employer:

Mid and South Essex NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Bank ST3+ - Paediatrics job (opens in a new window)

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Paediatric Dietetic Assistant

Tamworth, B78 3NG

Salary:

£24625.00 to £25674.00

Type:

Permanent

Employer:

Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust

Apply now on NHS Jobs for Paediatric Dietetic Assistant job (opens in a new window) [54]

Further information

These organisations have further information about being a doctor in paediatric cardiology, particularly as your career progresses. Take a look.

British Cardiovascular Society [55]

Joint Royal College of Physicians Training Board [56]

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