**Scottish Medicines Consortium (SMC) Health Services Researcher**

**New medicines assessment**

The health services researcher will work as a member of the SMC clinical assessment group which evaluates up to seven full submissions for new medicines per month.

Working with the lead pharmaceutical analyst for each submission, the health services researcher will provide assessment and support for one or more full submissions per month.

This will usually include:

* Leading and co-ordinating clinical expert consultation;
* Researching the published literature and clinical guidelines;
* Critical appraisal of clinical studies (usually registration studies) and indirect treatment comparisons;
* Validation of orphan, ultra-orphan, and end of life status;
* Accuracy check and peer review of the work of other team members.

The new medicines assessment process is undertaken within tightly defined timelines each month and the ability to prioritise and work within strict deadlines is essential to the role.