V&V Manager (Medical Device Testing)

Salary Range: £35,000 - £50,000 Location: Harrietsham, Kent



The Story:

Established in 1976, Bedfont is an award-winning medical technology company based in Harrietsham, Kent. Its breath analysis medical devices are exported globally thanks to its network of carefully selected distributors.

The Challenge:

Healthcare is evolving and the market for breath analysis monitors is expanding. Bedfont are looking for hard-working, like-minded, and passionate individuals to join the Bedfont Family to help achieve its goal of innovating healthcare worldwide.

The Benefits:

- 25 days paid holiday plus bank holidays
- Private healthcare
- Optical allowance
- Pension scheme
- Bonus scheme
- **Hybrid Working**
- **Employee Assistance Program**
- **Rewards App**

- Social events
- Well-being warriors
- Bike-to-work scheme
- **Employee awards**
- Free on-site parking
- **Training & Development Opportunities**
- Uniform

Your Mission:

As a Verification & Validation (V&V) Manager, you will manage the V&V team and hold a pivotal position in safeguarding the quality, safety, and effectiveness of our medical devices through rigorous V&V procedures. You will work closely with cross-functional teams to design, develop, and execute comprehensive test plans, while adhering to regulatory standards and industry best practices.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Assist in the design, procurement and commissioning of test equipment, jigs and fixtures
- Report any errors or bugs in the relevant queue or issue register to ensure prompt resolution
- Analyse test results and compile comprehensive reports, maintaining technical documentation
- Perform regular quality control testing of test equipment and organise test data for analysis
- Draft protocols and V&V test plans, using product knowledge to determine required outputs and assess compliance with predefined criteria
- Manage a small V&V team of an engineer and technician
- Conduct comprehensive V&V testing of product software, hardware (Electronics & Mechanical) and firmware
- Create and maintain V&V procedures, test software and templates
- Provide evidence of both internal and external regulatory compliance
- Develop and execute usability engineering processes (with IEC 62366-1/FDA guidelines) to ensure safety and efficacy of medical devices for end-users
- Ensure adherence to ISO 13485 standards (training will be provided)
- Complete the testing section of technical files prior to product launch
- Articulate comprehensive justifications for determining sample sizes

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- A bachelor's degree in engineering (such as Electrical, Mechanical, Software, or Systems Engineering) or a related field or relevant experience in V&V, quality assurance preferred
- Experience leading a small team would be advantageous
- Knowledge of industry standards and regulations related to V&V processes preferred, such as ISO standards, FDA regulations (for medical devices)

Valuable Expertise:

- Leadership skills to coordinate a small team
- Detail orientated and analytical thinker to quickly detect issues, fix discrepancies and propose solutions
- Experience with report writing, planning and documentation
- Enthusiasm for engineering and staying up to date with industry trends
- Communicative, articulate, and self-motivated
- Proficient with project management software
- Skilled in test plan development, protocol creation, and execution using statistical tools
- Strong problem-solving and data interpretation skills
- Collaborative experience in manufacturing processes

In addition, employees may be required to undertake other duties as may reasonably be required of them. In these circumstances training will be given where it is considered.

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