How employers can support consultants to apply for national Clinical Impact Awards

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1. **Register your organisation**
   - Read the employer guidance: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/clinical-impact-awards-guidance
   - Ensure you are registered on the ACCIA portal and make sure your details are up to date: https://tinyurl.com/ACCIAemployerregister

2. **Raise the topic of NCIAs at appraisal discussions**
   - Open for entry from 4 March 2024.
   - Closing date 5pm 15 April 2024.
   - The new scheme is fairer and has a more inclusive application process designed to fully reflect the diversity of the consultant population in the NHS.

3. **Review and support applications**
   - Notifications will alert you when a consultant has submitted their application for you to review and support.
   - Employer scoring is no longer required, simplifying the process.
   - Verify the information and confirm that you support the application.

4. **Implement awards**
   - ACCIA will write to employers to confirm the names of successful consultants.
   - Awards will be paid and backdated from the beginning of the same financial year. Except for NCEA holders whose award would have been due for renewal. Their NClA will start on their NCEA expiry.

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