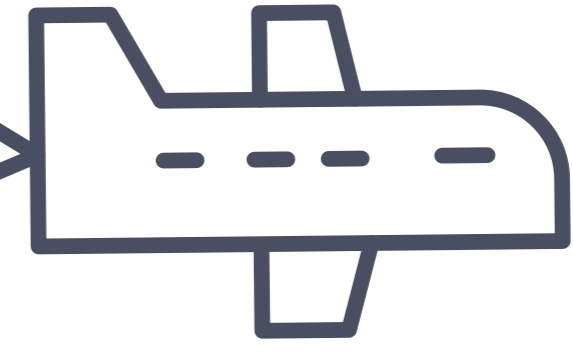


Clinical research

career path



Key skills

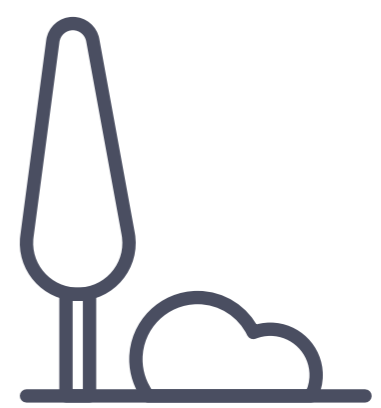
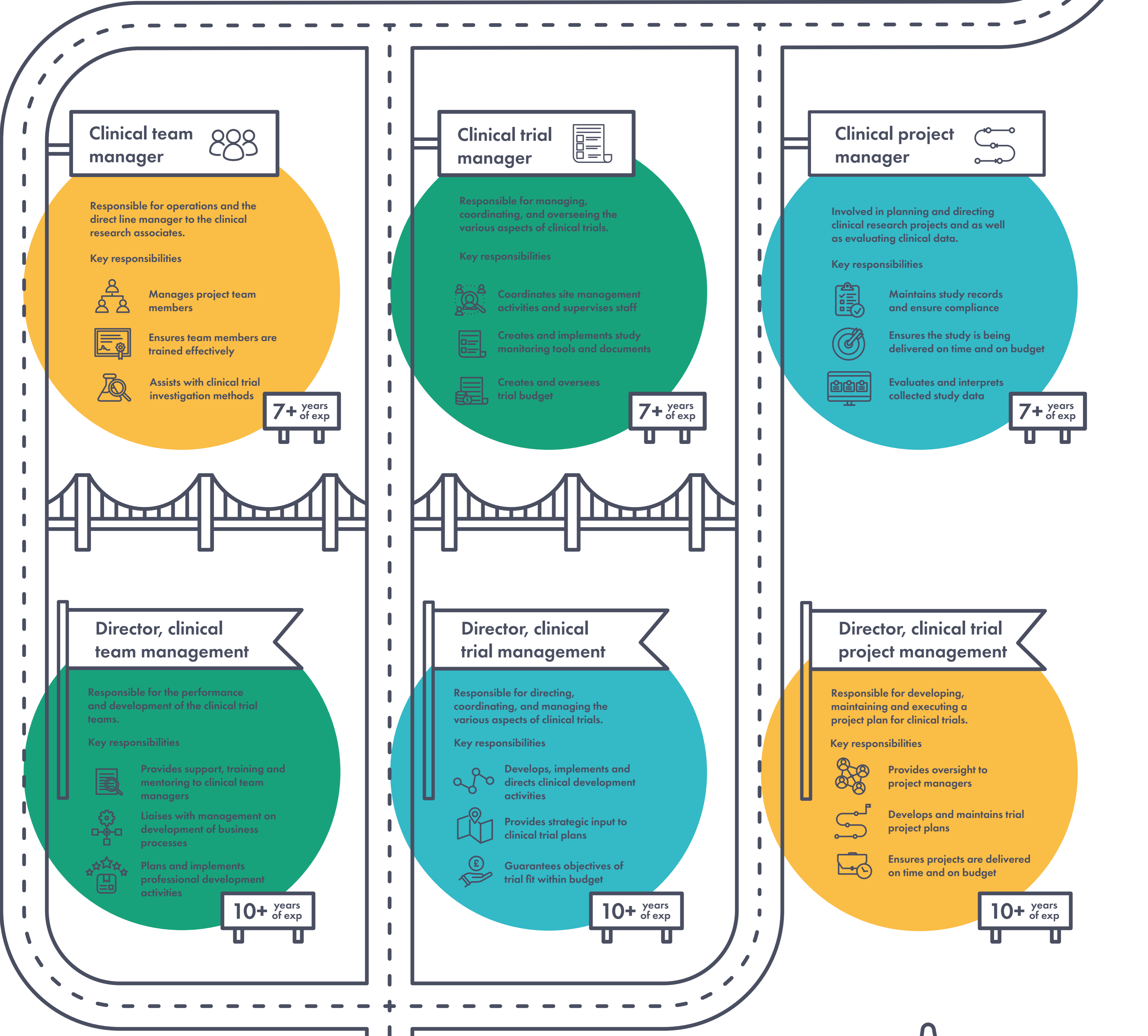
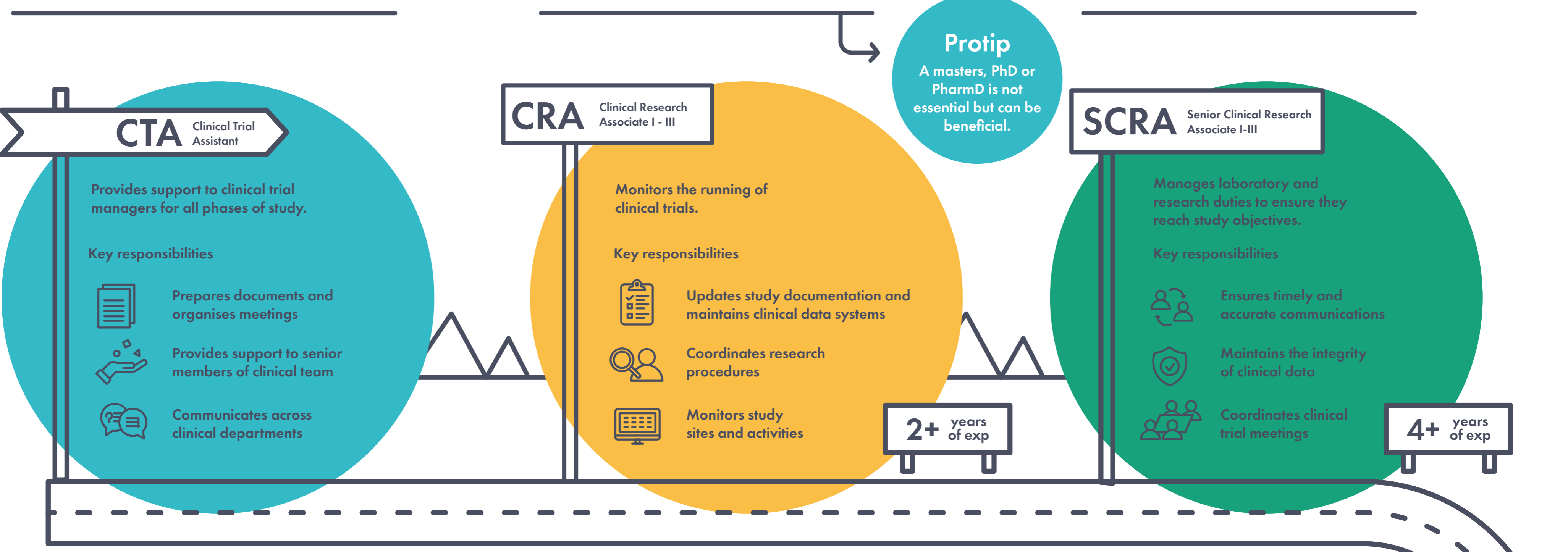
- Communication
- Attention to detail
- Critical thinking
- Problem solving
- Time management
- Flexibility

Key requirements

- Academic degree in medicine life sciences, health care or related fields
- A sound understanding of the good clinical practice guidelines

Employers

- Pharmaceutical companies
- Biotech companies
- Contract research organisations



Professional development

Training takes place mainly in-house and on the job. The nature of the training can vary from company to company, with some employers providing a structured system.

Some companies will pay for relevant external training courses through organisations such as the ICR. They provide training in areas such as: Advanced monitoring, effective project management for clinical trial, essentials of clinical trial monitoring and process thinking in clinical trials.

VP/Head of clinical operations

Oversees and has overall responsibility for the clinical operations department.

Key responsibilities

- Proactively manages the clinical research process
- Provides leadership, strategic insight and guidance
- Provides updates to key stakeholders

15+ years of exp

Please note that this infographic is based on common career pathways and may not account for every direction a career in clinical research may take you in.