

## JOB OF THE WEEK

### What is it?

**Cardiologist** – Cardiologists are Doctors who specialise in working with the heart. They work with patients to treat ongoing illnesses or respond to emergency, potentially life-threatening situations. Cardiologists work to prevent illnesses as well as treat current illnesses.

### Day to day tasks

- identify and diagnose heart and cardiovascular diseases.
- develop treatment plans for patients based on their specific condition and medical history.
- provide consultations to other medical professionals.
- conduct research to improve the understanding of heart and cardiovascular diseases.
- educate patients on how to manage their condition.
- monitor patients over time to ensure that their condition is being properly managed.
- provide critical care to patients experiencing heart attacks.

### Qualifications

5 GCSEs – grades 9 – 6 including English and Maths and Science  
A Levels – at least one must be Biology.  
Degree in Medicine plus on the job training to qualify as a Cardiologist.

### Salary

Junior Doctor: £28,000  
After Training: £41k—£77k  
Consultants: up to £110,000

### Jobs and labour market

#### Workforce Change (projected)

Growth  
**5.3%**

Replacement  
**52.1%**

The workforce is projected to grow by 5.3% over the period to 2027, creating 16,700 jobs. In the same period, 52.1% of the workforce is projected to retire, creating 162,500 job openings.

### Routes into the industry

You'll first need to complete a degree in medicine This usually takes five or six years to complete.

You'll then go on to complete the [UK Foundation Programme](#). This two-year, work-based training programme bridges the gap between medical school and specialty training.

Find out more here: [Cardiologist job profile](#) | [Prospects.ac.uk](#)