



Two Posts available for the Infection Expert Advisory Group

The Commission on Human Medicines is looking to appoint one expert and one lay member to the Infection Expert Advisory Group.

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency enhance and improve the health of millions of people every day through the effective regulation of medicines and medical devices, underpinned by science and research. The IEAG is an independent advisory committee of the CHM that provide impartial advice to Ministers on the safety and efficacy of medicines for use in infections including HIV, AIDS and viral hepatitis. The IEAG membership includes a wide range of highly skilled professionals who are senior and well regarded in their respective fields and lay representatives.

Expertise Required

- specialist in Infectious Diseases & Microbiology
- lay member

Essential Criteria

The Member must be able to demonstrate the qualities, skills and experience to meet all the essential criteria for appointment.

Professional Member

- experience in laboratory aspects of public health and epidemiology of Infectious diseases
- current or previous experience of committee membership(s);
- be recognised by their peers as a leader in their field e.g. national academies and Royal Colleges (for specialist posts only);
- be able to assimilate and interpret complex scientific information and formulate evidence-based comments /advice at short notice;
- be able and prepared to contribute actively to the work of the EAG, including on issues outside of own specialism;
- be a skilled communicator;
- be willing to develop a working knowledge and understanding of UK medicines regulatory framework and procedures;
- maintain strict confidentiality with respect to the work of the EAG;
- be willing to declare conflicts of interest;
- be committed to the values of selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, professionalism, impartiality and consistency.

Lay Member

- be able to assimilate and interpret complex scientific information and share individual expertise or experience on specific topics or items to complement the scientific information considered;
- be able and prepared to contribute actively to the work of the EAG by providing a non-specialist contribution to discussions about medicines from patient and public perspectives;
- be a skilled communicator;
- be willing to develop a working knowledge and understanding of UK medicines regulatory framework and procedures;
- maintain strict confidentiality with respect to the work of the EAG;



- be willing to declare conflicts of interest;
- be committed to the values of selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, professionalism, impartiality and consistency.

The phrase 'lay member' refers to a member of one of our advisory committees or groups who has personal experience of living with a condition and its current therapeutic environment. The phrase could also refer to someone from a community affected by the advice provided by the advisory committee or group.

Lay members fulfil an important committee role, by contributing a patient perspective to the work of the advisory committee or group, or by representing the broader community potentially affected by their advice. People with professional qualifications or professional experience of working in an area relevant to the work of the advisory committee or group are not eligible to apply for a lay member role.

Lay members have full rights to participate in the discussion, therefore must comply with the Code of Practice.

Remuneration will be £200 per meeting, for a time commitment of up to 10 meetings per year. The MHRA determines the length of appointment, which will be one year initially with the possibility to extend to four years thereafter.

If you are interested in joining the IEAG please email your application form, CV, completed declaration of interests and monitoring form to cstrecruitment@mhra.gov.uk, quoting the position and reference IEAG23-1 in the subject field. Please ensure that you provide evidence to support how you meet all of the essential criteria.

If you require an alternative format please call the Appointments Team on 020 3080 6060 quoting the reference IEAG23-1.

The closing date for applications is midday 30 May 2023. The MHRA value and promote diversity and encourage applications from all sections of the community.



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