



Three Posts Available for the Cardiovascular, Diabetes, Renal, Respiratory and Allergy Expert Advisory Group

The Commission on Human Medicines (CHM) is looking to appoint 2 medical professional members and 1 lay member to the Cardiovascular, Diabetes, Renal, Respiratory and Allergy Expert Advisory Group (CDRRA EAG).

The CDRRA EAG provides advice to the Licensing Authority and the Commission on Human Medicines on the safety and efficacy of medicines used for the treatment and prevention of cardiovascular disease, diabetes, renal or respiratory diseases, or allergy. The CDRRA EAG membership includes professionals who are senior and well regarded in their respective fields and lay representatives.

Professional Members

Expertise required for the expert posts:

- Expert in managing obesity
- Expert in managing renal disease

Essential Criteria

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

- have extensive experience and be a current practitioner in an area related to the required posts: managing obesity (including, but not limited to, endocrinology; surgery; general medicine); managing renal disease (including, but not limited to nephrology, urology);
- 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 expert advisory group, including on issues outside of own speciality;
- 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 advisory group;
- commit to the values of selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, professionalism, impartiality and consistency;
- be willing to declare conflicts of interest and comply with the [Code of Practice](#).

Desirable Criteria

- experience in clinical research;
- current or previous experience of committee membership(s);
- be recognised by peers (e.g. professional bodies and/or Royal Colleges) as a current leader in the appropriate profession / field of expertise;
- have a working knowledge of novel and innovative medicines;
- have knowledge and understanding of the UK medicines regulatory framework and procedures.



Lay Member

The main role of the lay member is to ensure that the perspective of patients, carers and the general public are represented and considered in all aspects of the committee's work. Our lay members come from a variety of different backgrounds and generally will not be an expert in a field of relevance to the EAG in which they are a member. Lay members are expected to:

- 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 under consideration;
- 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/devices 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 members are individuals who sit on our advisory committees to provide a non-specialist contribution to discussions. 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 and must comply with the [Code of Practice](#).

For both clinical and lay roles, remuneration will be £200 per meeting (taxable), for a time commitment of up to 12 meetings per year (currently take place virtually, up to 2 hours per month). The MHRA determines the length of appointment.

If you are interested in joining the CDRRA EAG or have any questions about the role (expert/lay), please contact us via CSTRecruitment@mhra.gov.uk and we are happy to answer / provide more details.

To apply, please complete the application form, declaration of interests and diversity monitoring forms and submit with your curriculum vitae (CV), to CSTRecruitment@mhra.gov.uk, quoting the position applied for and reference **CDRRA24-1** in the subject field. Please ensure that you provide evidence to support how you meet all of the essential criteria in the application form.

If you require an alternative format, please call the Appointments Team on 020 3080 6060 quoting the reference **CDRRA24-1**.

The closing date for applications is 30 September 2024. The MHRA value and promote diversity and encourage applications from all sections of the community.



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