Commission on Human Medicines

One Post available for the Pharmacovigilance Expert Advisory Group

The Commission on Human Medicines (CHM) is looking to appoint **one** expert to the Pharmacovigilance Expert Advisory Group (PEAG).

The PEAG advises the CHM on all aspects of pharmacovigilance for human medicines (including herbal products) and vaccines. Pharmacovigilance is the science and activities relating to the detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other medicine-related problem.

The PEAG advises the CHM on the public health importance of potential new safety signals; the confirmation of identified risks and their size and nature; how the risks should be managed including healthcare professional, patient and public communications; risk management planning for new and novel medicinal products; the design and progress of safety studies and analysis of the results; and methodologies for pharmacovigilance.

The PEAG also advises the CHM and the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA)on the strategic direction of the Yellow Card Scheme - the UK system for collecting and monitoring information on suspected adverse effects and medicine-related safety concerns, and provides advice to MHRA on public applications for access to Yellow Card data for scientific research.

Expertise Required

- General Practice (x1)

We are looking for an experienced medical practitioner who can provide their specialism's perspective on relevant UK clinical practice and medicine-related matters. The applicant must be a practising physician, preferably with an interest in medicines management and patient safety.

Essential Criteria

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

- must be a general practitioner, on the GMC general practice register
- be a skilled communicator including providing written comments on papers and presentations
- be able to assimilate complex scientific information at short notice
- 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 and comply with the Code of Practice
- be committed to the values of selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, professionalism, impartiality and consistency

Desirable Criteria

- an interest in medicines management and patient safety
- have previous or current experience of committee membership
- be recognised by their peers as a leader in their field e.g., national academies and Royal Colleges

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The MHRA will provide training relevant to the role of the expert including on Pharmacovigilance regulations for human medicines (including herbal products) and vaccines in the UK, Code of Practice, Risk Management Plans, safety signals and risk communication.

Remuneration will be £200 per meeting. Members are required to attend all scheduled and unscheduled meetings of the PEAG (and to be present for the whole meeting). The MHRA determines the length of appointment, which may be for up to a maximum of four years.

If you are interested in joining the PEAG please email your application form, CV, completed declaration of interests and monitoring form to cstrecruitment@mhra.gov.uk, quoting the position and reference **PEAG25-1** 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 **PEAG25-1**.

The closing date for applications is 28 April 2025. The MHRA value and promote diversity and encourage applications from all sections of the community.

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