

Expressions of Interest sought for Chair of the Specialty Quality Improvement Programmes Steering Committee, Royal College of Physicians of Ireland

About the Specialty Quality Improvement Programmes

There are three National Specialty Quality Improvement Programmes currently managed by RCPI, Radiology, Histopathology and GI Endoscopy. Set up in 2009, the programmes have evolved over time, publishing annual national data reports which detail a series of specialty specific Key Quality Indicators, the associated targets and display hospitals QI data anonymously against the national aggregate data. The programmes work focuses on facilitating QI in both public and private hospitals to drive improvements in patient care.

The Steering Committee provides the overall governance for these programmes with representatives from the following;

- National Quality Improvement Team, HSE (Programme Funders)
- Acute Hospital Division, HSE
- Office of the Chief Information Officer, HSE
- Private Hospitals Association of Ireland
- National Office of Clinical Audit
- Department of Health (pending)
- Faculty of Pathology, RCPI
- Faculty of Radiologists, RCSI
- National Endoscopy Lead, AHD Endoscopy Programme
- Working Group Chair of National Radiology QI Programme
- Working Group Chair of National GI Endoscopy QI Programme
- Working Group Chair of National Histopathology QI Programme
- Patient Representatives
- Health Information and Quality Authority (Observer)

The Steering Committee meet quarterly, and members may attend via Zoom. Committee members are not remunerated but may be reimbursed any reasonable expenses associated with their attendance at committee meetings.

Term of Appointment

The appointment to the SQI Steering Committee as Chair is for a period of three years.

Criteria

Essential:

- Ability to work with multiple stakeholders and build consensus
- Understanding of corporate governance and risk management
- In order to bring independent judgement this appointee shall not hold a role as a member of the working groups of any of the three SQI Programme

Desired:

- Knowledge of Quality Improvement in Healthcare
- Knowledge of HSE processes and governance
- Analytical and decision-making skills
- Excellent communication skills

How to apply

If you would like to apply for the position of SQI Steering Committee Chair, please forward a short (one side of A4) statement of your interest in this opportunity, highlighting how you would be able to contribute.

This should be sent to Caitríona McGrath, Department Manager, Specialty Quality Improvement, RCPI at caitrimonmcgrath@rcpi.ie by the closing date of **Friday 14 August 2020**.

Appointment process

An assessment panel will be convened to consider and assess the applications received. The panel will:

- Review and discuss the expressions of interest received against the criteria
- Assess potential candidates further once they meet the criteria by undertaking meetings or conference calls with the candidates
- Arrive at a shortlist of the most suitably qualified candidates to be sent forward for consideration to Dr Philip Crowley, National Director, Quality Improvement, HSE and Dr Terry McWade, CEO, RCPI.

The Royal College of Physicians of Ireland welcomes and actively seeks to appoint people to its activities regardless of race, religion, ethnic origin, disability, age, gender and sexual orientation.

The RCPI aims to reflect the diversity of its members in all its committees, senior roles and staff in general.