

MEMBER OF POHMS (PROMOTING OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH IN MEDICAL SCHOOLS) SUB-COMMITTEE



Applications are invited for this honorary role within the Faculty. These should be made on the application form available at <http://www.facocmed.ac.uk/library/docs/jobgenapp2011.doc> and returned, together with a brief CV, to emma.dawson@fom.ac.uk by **10 00 am on Tuesday 14 February 2012.**

Please read the following information before making your application

Background to POHMS

The Faculty's work to promote occupational health in medical schools has been ongoing since 2004, in conjunction with the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). DWP initiated and funded the development of core competencies in occupational health to enable undergraduate medical students to understand the links between health and work, and the development of a bank of teaching/learning materials to support these. DWP then supported the work of POHMS, the latest phase of which has seen the establishment of Teaching Leads, that is, occupational physicians who are prepared to be a link with their local medical school, and a network of occupational medicine Teaching Leads in all UK medical schools is now established.

The POHMS group comprises Nerys Williams as Chair, Martin Tohill, Malcolm Braithwaite, Gillian Fletcher and Fiona Page, and is a Sub-Committee of, and accountable to, the Executive Committee.

The role

The Faculty is seeking a new member of the Sub-Committee to succeed Malcolm Braithwaite who is retiring soon and is now standing down from this role.

Malcolm comments that this has been an enjoyable role working with motivated members of the Faculty to enhance undergraduate and FY2 training. It is a great opportunity to assist in shaping the future of Tomorrow's Doctors by encouraging their improved knowledge and competence particularly in realising that a return to work is a clinical outcome.

The role of the subcommittee members is to:

- Provide support and direction for the POHMS initiative
- attend POHMS Sub-Committee meetings (a teleconference approximately once every two months)
- act on points decided at teleconferences
- read documents and comment on actions between teleconferences
- communicate with teaching leads
- contribute to the ad hoc POHMS newsletter
- investigate other means of promotion of the specialty of Occupational Medicine
- help maintain and advertise a section on the Faculty website dedicated to providing up-to-date resources for undergraduates.

Person specification

Applicants must be:

- a Member or Fellow of the Faculty
- in good standing with the Faculty (paid all fees and subscriptions due from them to the Faculty, signed a declaration of faith as required by Standing Order 2.9 and complied with the minimum requirements of the Faculty's or other appropriate continuing professional development scheme)

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- entered on the GMC Specialist Register under occupational medicine be able to demonstrate an enthusiasm for promoting occupational health/medicine to undergraduates and/or for teaching and train

Time commitment:

In addition to meetings which take 1-1/5 hours approximately every two months, the other parts of the role average 1-2 hours per month.

Membership

Tenure for membership of the POHMS Sub-Committee is three years in the first instance, normally with a maximum of six years.

Expenses

This is an honorary role; any travel and other necessary expenses incurred in travelling to meetings and carrying out the role will be reimbursed in accordance with the Faculty's business travel and expenses policy. However, as most of the business is conducted virtually, there should be little or no travel involved.

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