

Advert Patient and Public Voice members on the Public Health Oversight Group (PHOG)

Overview

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NHS England is committed to ensuring that public and patient voices are at the Centre of shaping our healthcare services. Every level of our health care system needs to be informed by listening to those who use and care about our services.

The NHS England Public Health Oversight Group is looking for **two** Patient and Public Voice members, to join the current membership of the group, and support the implementation of health programmes. The group oversees the commissioning of the national screening, immunisation and child health information services; this includes cancer screening and childhood vaccination.

Candidates will need to have a genuine commitment to developing excellent health services along with a lived experience and understanding of national screening and/ or immunisation programmes; such as personally or having had a family member screened with or without (finding the condition) or personally or having had a family member received an immunisation

The ideal candidate will bring board level experience with a healthcare focus, strong intellect and, a willingness to challenge as a “critical friend”. Along with experience and/ or ability to represent the user voice at national level. They will be expected to apply their skills; knowledge and experience to support the group to make decisions that will drive forward NHS England's ambition to deliver world-class, patient-centered care;

- Understanding of national screening and / or immunisation programmes
- Ability to speak publicly
- Ability to cascade back to their representative group/s information from the development group.
- Provide specialist advice and make recommendations when necessary, relevant to their areas of expertise.
- Experience/ability to represent user voice at a regional or national level
- Ability to work strategically across all Public Health Section 7a commissioned services

Expenses

In certain circumstances NHS England supports offering involvement payments to PPV partners who work with us. This is further described in the PPV expenses policy.

- In summary, NHS England would only offer involvement payments when PPV partners are taking on leadership role. This role is described as patients working at an in depth and strategic level, requiring enhanced skills, specific expertise, strategic and public accountability or involvement in decision making and/or direct delivery.
- In this instance PPV partners can be offered £150 per day or £75 per half day.
- Involvement payments (and vouchers or gifts) are seen by HMRC, the Job Centre and insurance companies as income. So this has implications for the individual as PPV partners may have to pay tax, or declare income that can affect their benefit or insurance pay-outs.
- NHS England has a responsibility to advise the individual that they should declare the income to HMRC, their insurance company or the job centre, as appropriate. It is not our responsibility to liaise with the relevant agencies.
- Some types of benefit have a cap on allowable income. The PPV partner has the option of being paid less to fall

Expenses policy, guidance and documents for PPV involvement

Attendance will be quarterly and usually monthly for the group programmes boards such as flu and Digital Child Health. Membership of the group is for 12 months initially, at which point membership will be reviewed.

You can apply by contacting; abenaa.yeboah@nhs.net

Call 0113 8070145, or write to;

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NHS England wants to ensure that its Patient and Public Voice members are representative of the population and that a wide range of people are appointed to these roles. Patient and Public Voice members can only be appointed to two expert adviser roles in NHS England at any given time, where these roles are identified as qualifying for a participation payment.

The closing date for applications is midnight on **27/07/2017** Interviews will be held on week commencing **29/08/2017**.