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Public Appointments

Chairs (Designate) of Four New Health and Social Care Bodies

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety is seeking to appoint a Chair (Designate) to each of the four new Health and Social Care bodies; the Regional Health and Social Care Board; the Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-Being; the Regional Support Services Organisation and the Patient and Client Council, which are to be established from 1 April 2009. Interviews will take place in September 2008. It is expected that the appointments will be made from October 2008.

Regional Health and Social Care Board (RHSCB)

Time Commitment: 3 days per week

Remuneration: £33,000 per annum

The RHSCB will replace the four existing Health and Social Services Boards, and its core focus will reflect the principles of good governance, the quality of care for patients and clients, accountability, transparency, efficiency and effectiveness. The main functions of the RHSCB will be Commissioning; Performance management and improvement; and Effective, economic and efficient utilisation of allocated resources for the commissioning of health and social care.

Regional Agency for Public Health and Social Well-Being (RAPHSW)

Time Commitment: 3 days per week

Remuneration: £33,000 per annum

The RAPHSW will be an integral part of the Health and Social Care system and will drive the public health and social well-being agenda. It will bring together the wide range of existing public health functions and give a renewed, enhanced and sustained focus on achieving key public health goals. The broad functions of the Agency will be Health Improvement; Health Protection; and Provision of appropriate professional input to the commissioning role of the RHSCB.

Regional Support Services Organisation (RSSO)

Time Commitment: 2 days per week

Remuneration: £22,000 per annum

The RSSO will provide a broad range of support functions for the health and social care service, bringing together services which are common to bodies or persons engaged in providing health or social services. This will include for example Administrative support; Financial services; Training; Legal services, Internal audit and Fraud prevention.

Patient and Client Council (PCC)

Time Commitment: 1 day per week

Remuneration: £11,000 per annum

The consumer voice in relation to health and personal social services in Northern Ireland is currently provided through four Health and Social Services Councils. These four Councils will be replaced by a single health and social care user's body - the Patient and Client Council (PCC). The functions of the PCC will be to Represent the interests of the public; Promote the involvement of the public; Provide assistance to individuals making or intending to make a complaint relating to health and social care; Provide advice and information to the public about the design, Commissioning and delivery of health and social services; and such other functions as may be prescribed.

Chairs

Applicants will have to demonstrate that they have the leadership and organisational skills to lead the board of the new organisation to which they are appointed, coupled with the communication and interpersonal skills necessary to enable them to develop effective working relationships inside and outside the organisation.

Essential criteria: Leadership; Making an impact with others and displays a range of political skills; Committing to the non-executive role; Thinking strategically; Analytical thinking; and Knowledge and understanding of the Health Service in Northern Ireland.

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Closing date: Signed, hard copies of application forms must be received at the above address by 12.00 noon on Friday 22 August 2008. Late applications will not be accepted.

Information Packs and application forms can be made available in other formats and candidates who require assistance will be facilitated on request. Applicants invited for interview will be eligible for reimbursement of reasonable travelling expenses.

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety is committed to the principles of public appointments based on merit with independent assessment, openness and transparency of process. The Department is committed to providing equality of opportunity for all applicants. Applications are welcomed regardless of age, gender, disability, religion, ethnic origin, political opinion, sexual orientation or whether or not you have dependants.



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