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Public Appointments

Non-Executive Members of the Northern Ireland Health Promotion Agency

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety is seeking to appoint six non-executive members to the board of the Northern Ireland Health Promotion Agency ("the Agency"), with effect from 1 October 2004.

The Agency plays a key role in identifying the population's needs in the field of health and developing and implementing programmes to promote health and prevent ill-health. The Agency is run by a board consisting of a Chair, the Chief Executive and 8 other members appointed with the approval of the Minister responsible for the Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety. Non-executive members have to devote a minimum of 1 day a month to the appointment, for which they can claim allowances for travel and subsistence costs necessarily incurred on Agency business.

Qualifications and Experience

No specific academic qualifications are required. Successful candidates will have to demonstrate that they meet five standard essential criteria, as set out in the Information Pack. In addition it would be desirable for candidates to have -

- experience that would bring added value to the work of the Agency, for example in the fields of finance, health and social care (particularly with a medical background), public relations/communications, health promotion or mental health; **or**
- experience of voluntary or community work; **or**
- experience of management in a public, private or voluntary/community sector organisation.

Expressions of interest

For further information about the appointments and a nomination form, please contact Public Appointments Unit, Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, D1, Castle Buildings, Stormont, Belfast BT4 3SQ. Tel: (028) 9052 3250, textphone: (028) 9052 8343,

fax: (028) 9052 3206, e-mail: public.appointments@dhsspsni.gov.uk quoting reference:

HPA 1/04. Nomination forms can be provided in other formats and candidates who require assistance will be facilitated on request. Nominees invited for interview will be eligible for reimbursement of reasonable travelling expenses.

COMPLETED NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS ON OR BEFORE 5PM ON FRIDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2004. NOMINATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

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. Political activity will not be a criterion for appointment. The Department is committed to providing equality of opportunity for all nominees. Nominations are welcomed regardless of sex, disability, religion or political opinion. Women are currently under-represented in bodies sponsored by the Department and nominations from women would therefore be particularly welcome.

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