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Members Northern Ireland Practice & Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety is seeking to appoint eleven non-executive members to the Northern Ireland Practice and Education Council for Nursing and Midwifery (NIPEC). Three of these appointments will be made in late June 2010 and the remaining eight appointments in October 2010 when further vacancies will arise.

NIPEC has an exciting and challenging role to support the provision of the best nursing and midwifery, both now and into the future, within Northern Ireland. Health and Social Care is delivered by nurses and midwives throughout Northern Ireland in a wide range of diverse settings comprising the statutory, independent and voluntary sectors. NIPEC seeks to support the best practice of nurses and midwives in all contexts through supporting their practice, education and development.

There are two categories of non-executive member. **Professional Members**, who will be registered professional nurses, midwives or health visitors and **Lay Members**.

Essential Criteria

Professional Members must be currently registered on the Nursing and Midwifery Council register. It is intended that the nursing and midwifery professional membership of the Council is representative of the different care settings within health and social care services.

Lay Members need no specific qualifications. A Lay Member is a person who is not, and has never been, on the UK Central Council professional register for nurses, midwives and health visitors (or the Nursing and Midwifery Council register from 1 April 2002). He/she should have experience in the fields of education or training, or as an advocate or carer, or of working alongside nurses or midwives or of strategic planning and decision making in a business or voluntary/community body.

In addition to the requirements above, applicants must also meet the following five essential criteria:

Making an impact with others and displays a range of political skills; Committing to the non-executive role; Thinking strategically; Analytical thinking; and Learning and self-development.

Time Commitment – 20 days per year.

These posts are not remunerated but members are eligible to claim reasonable expenses, including the payment of a substitute carer, at rates set by the Department, for costs incurred on Council business.

For further information and an application form:-

E-mail: public.appointments@dhsspsni.gov.uk

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Write to: DHSSPS Public Appointments Unit, Annexe 6, Castle Buildings, Stormont Estate, Belfast BT4 3SQ.

Closing Date

The deadline for receipt of applications is 12:00 noon on Thursday 22 April 2010. Late applications will not be accepted.

Information Packs and application forms can be provided in alternative formats and applicants 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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