



Department of

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Public Appointments Non-Executive Members The Regulation And Quality Improvement Authority

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety is seeking to appoint 3 Non-Executive Members to the Regulation and Quality Improvement Authority (RQIA).

RQIA is the independent body responsible for monitoring and inspecting the availability and quality of health and social care services in Northern Ireland, and encouraging improvements in the quality of those services. RQIA's main functions are to inspect the quality of services provided by Health and Social Care (HSC) bodies in Northern Ireland through reviews of clinical and social care governance arrangements within these bodies; to regulate (register and inspect) a wide range of services delivered by HSC bodies and by the independent sector.

There are three categories of Non-Executive Member (Lay/Financial/Legal). In the event that the competition fails to yield sufficient/suitable applicants for the Financial or Legal Member posts, the remaining vacancies will be filled by Lay Member applicants.

Lay Member Post - There are no specific requirements for this post.

Financial Member Post - The Non-Executive (Financial) Member needs no specific qualifications. He/she must have experience of Financial Management in an organisation with an annual financial budget/turnover of at least £30 million.

Legal Member Post - The Non-Executive (Legal) Member must be a Solicitor or Barrister-at-Law, entitled to practice in Northern Ireland.

Essential Criteria

Applicants for the Lay and Legal Member posts will have to demonstrate that they have the skills, knowledge, experience and qualities to meet the following **five** essential criteria: Making an impact with others & displays a range of political skills; Committing to the non-executive role; Thinking strategically; Analytical thinking; and Learning and self development.

In addition to the requirements set out above for the Lay and Legal Member posts, applicants for the **Financial Member post** must **also** meet an additional **sixth** essential criteria:

Financial Management Responsibility and Experience.

Remuneration - £5,845

Time Commitment - 2 - 3 days per month

For further information and an application form:-

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

Telephone: 028 9052 3250

Textphone: 028 9052 8623 (for use by those with hearing difficulties)

Fax: 028 9052 8403

Write to: DHSSPS Public Appointments Unit, Room D1, Castle Buildings, Stormont Estate, Belfast, BT4 3SQ.

Closing Date

The deadline for receipt of applications is 12:00 noon on Thursday 29th September 2011. 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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