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Council Lay member (1 x Patient)

Scope of the role

Members of Council are expected to:

- ensure the protection of the public through regulation of the osteopathic profession
- work with key stakeholders to enhance professional standards and quality of osteopathic care
- ensure effective engagement with a wide range of interest groups so that policy making is adequately informed and is seen to be so
- set the strategic plan for the regulation of the profession and in addition identify the key risks facing the organisation
- approve the budget in support of the strategic plan and review the registration fee annually
- ensure that appropriate audit and monitoring systems are in place in relation to the key risks facing the organisation
- agree a scheme of delegation to committees
- hold the executive to account for the delivery of the business plan and the mitigation of risks and to provide appropriate support to the Chief Executive and Registrar in managing the organisation
- ensure the GOsC meets its equality duties
- make an Annual Report to Parliament on the GOsC's performance in relation to fitness to practise, value for money and equality and diversity
- appoint the Chief Executive

Essential Criteria	Method of measurement
At least two years' experience of working at Board level or in senior leadership positions in health-related sector (regulation, charity, education)	Application
Passionate about patient advocacy, and health and wellbeing issues, and achieving the best for patients	Application Interview
Lived experience of osteopathic treatment (in the last 6 months)	Application
Experience of working in partnership with user led groups	Application
Understanding of and commitment to the statutory role of the GOsC	Application Interview

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Essential Criteria	Method of measurement
Ability to interpret and critically appraise complex council papers	Application Interview
Able to be independent in judgement and character and to challenge appropriately	Application Interview
Excellent diplomatic, interpersonal and communication skills, with the ability to engage a wide-ranging audience and network effectively with a variety of organisations/individuals.	Application Interview
Commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion ensuring this is at the centre of the work of GOsC governance	Application Interview
A strong personal commitment to the GOsC's values	Application Interview
Sound knowledge of and commitment to corporate governance.	Application Interview
Flexibility regarding time commitment and the ability to travel.	Application

Desirable Criteria	Method of measurement
Awareness and understanding of requirements of working in a regulated environment	Application Interview
A strong personal commitment to public service values (Nolan Principles) of accountability, probity, openness and equality of opportunity.	Application Interview
Understanding of the wider health sector's political and operational environment.	Application Interview
Evidence of continuing professional/personal development.	Application