



Institute and Faculty of Actuaries

Health and Care Research Sub-committee – Deputy Chair

The Institute and Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA) is seeking a committed and innovative volunteer who is a current IFoA Member, to join this Sub-committee as Deputy Chair. We are particularly seeking to recruit a volunteer who has expertise in health and care, critical illness, population health and both group and personal lines.

Volunteers on this Sub-committee have a passion for actively fostering and driving forward all stages of research and thought leadership for their peers working in the Health and Care Practice Area.

“Task” and “Person” Specification:

As a Deputy Chair of the Health and Care Research Sub-committee you will be responsible for all matters relating to research and thought leadership being undertaken by the Health and Care Practice Area.

Candidates will ideally:

- work with other members of the sub-committee to:
 - Support the Sub-committee Chair as required.
 - work with the Health and Care Lifelong Learning Committee, in relation to the content provided by the Working Parties to Health and Care CPD events to
 - ensure relevance of research and outcome for the Health and Care community
 - consider new and emerging research areas over continuous time horizon, including feedback received from conferences
 - have oversight and provide guidance of member-led research initiatives, in accordance with the *IFoA Research Toolkit*
 - provide adequate support for Working Party Chairs and organise networking opportunities
 - monitor and facilitate Working Party research, including the development and continuous maintenance of a working party status matrix for the Health and Care Board
 - work closely with the IFoA Executive staff to establish links with universities and external research bodies
 - identify and schedule topics for the annual IFoA sessional programme and source volunteers to peer review papers and chair sessional events
 - encourage and foster cross-practice research activity where there are overlapping interests
 - respond to research initiatives of the Health and Care Board
 - keep the above list of activities under review for effectiveness in fostering all stages of research and propose and undertake other activities where appropriate

Tenure

This is a two year appointment

Time Commitment

Up to two days per month, including following up on actions as required ensuring deadlines and commitments are met; and attending Committee meetings. Location is not a barrier as meetings are held online.

“Person” Specification

Candidates will ideally have:

- be a current IFoA member
- at least 3 years' Health and Care experience
- some research experience in the course of their careers to date. This could be in the form of contributions to the effort of IFoA or other Industry research Working Parties, undertaking academic or private research, as well as performing research for their own organisation
- an excellent awareness of the current challenges in the practice area, an openness to consider possible future ones, as well as enthusiasm to foster ways to explore ideas and solutions to these challenges
- a desire to help promote content of research to become valuable resource for members of the IFoA
- a willingness to help develop input into the specific projects or topics such as consultation responses or research projects and to help develop the position of the profession on key issues

In addition, although not necessary, it would be helpful to the work of the Committee if candidates have access to a network of experts for consultation or peer review of research papers.

In return, the volunteers will:

- be provided with (from the Executive team) excellent professional management support and assistance as required
- be able to enjoy the satisfaction of knowing that they have helped shaped the advancement of actuarial science in the Health and Care space
- be able to influence and contribute to the innovating and exploratory work of members of the IFoA
- further develop their network of contacts across the industry

We consider equal opportunities seriously and welcome applications from all suitably qualified persons regardless of their race, sex, disability, religion/belief, sexual orientation or age.

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