

From the President Professor Dame Anne Johnson

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Dear Fellows

Appointment of next Academy Vice President (Clinical)

I am delighted to write to you on behalf of Council to seek nominations for an exceptional person to succeed Professor Paul Stewart FMedSci who will complete his six-year term as Vice President (Clinical) in December. Paul has made a hugely significant contribution to the Academy during this time, and we are immensely grateful for his work.

With UK clinical research facing unprecedented challenges and opportunities our next Vice President (Clinical) must be able to demonstrate the leadership skills and commitment needed to bring to life the Academy's new 10-year strategy 'Making medical science work for everyone'. Working in partnership with NHS stakeholders and clinical research partners, our Vice President (Clinical) will be expected to lead the Academy's efforts to ensure research is a priority in the NHS. A key focus will be the development of clinical academic careers, so the NHS is able to deliver more effective health care in the future. The successful candidate will also play a pivotal role in promoting transdisciplinary research across the NHS, academia and industry, including the expansion of our cross-sector mobility programme.

Almost half of the Academy's 1400 Fellows - and many of the early career researchers (ECRs) who we support each year - are drawn from the clinical research community, including medicine, nursing and the allied health professions. Our Vice President (Clinical) will need to ensure this community has a strong voice in our work. But they must also be a champion of team science, promoting greater knowledge sharing, innovation and diversity across all of science so that it is better able to address society's biggest health challenges such as health inequalities. Finally, they will provide oversight of programmes and collaborations relevant to the Academy's clinical portfolio, working with Council members, Honorary Officers, Fellows, ECRs, patients and our expert staff.

We are committed to equity, diversity and inclusion. Suggestions and expressions of interest are welcome from any Fellow - UK or overseas based - whose expertise falls within the broad range of clinical specialities. These should be sent in confidence, to my e-mail address president@acmedsci.ac.uk. Fellows can also self-nominate as long as their nomination is supported by three signatures from other Fellows. The Nominations Committee may request references.

A <u>nomination form</u>, <u>role description</u> and further details can be found on the Academy <u>website</u>. The deadline for receipt of completed nominations is 5pm on 23 June 2023 and Council will elect the next Vice President (Clinical) in July based upon the recommendation of our Nominations Committee.

Please do consider candidates who might be interested in taking on this role and let either myself or our Executive Director, Simon Denegri, have more details. I would also be very pleased to have a confidential conversation with Fellows who are interested in applying.

Many thanks in advance for your assistance.

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