

RCR Guidance on Professional Leave

The RCR recognises the increasing difficulties that members and Fellows have obtaining both Study leave and Professional leave. With regards to Professional leave for College work, the RCR advice is to make sure that your Hospital Trust is supportive before applying or standing for posts. If you feel that a letter from the College explaining the work of the College and in particular the work you are doing would help then please approach the Chairman of the group that you sit on who will arrange for such a letter to be sent to your Chief Executive and line manager.

The College could not function without the hard work and experience of its members and Fellows. It is recognised throughout the NHS in the UK that the same hard work and experience is vital to the health and quality of the service to patients. In particular, the NHS Chief Executive in England has said so in writing, but Hospital Trusts increasingly have pressures placed upon them that make it difficult for them to see this bigger picture.

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