



Portfolio Pathway Committee Member

Contributor candidate pack



The Royal College of Radiologists

01 Welcome



It's a pleasure to welcome you as you explore the opportunity to contribute to the work of the Royal College of Radiologists. I'm delighted that you're considering joining our committed community of professionals who contribute their time, skills and experience to support our work.

At the RCR, colleagues like you are absolutely vital to the work we do. You play a key role in helping us support excellence in medical imaging, interventional radiology and cancer treatment - both now and in the future. In contributing your time, expertise, and perspective, your involvement strengthens our impact and supports the delivery of safe, high-quality patient care, which sits at the heart of everything we do.

As a Contributor, you will help us deliver the College's strategic priorities, including providing excellent standards and guidance for the workforce, delivery of high-quality professional learning, and being recognised as the experts in our fields. Your insight and involvement help ensure that our specialties continue to grow in both strength and influence.

Many of our Contributors have told us they choose to give their time because they want to make a real difference to our specialties. And by getting involved, they've also found opportunities to build lasting professional networks and stay connected with peers across the UK and beyond. The same will be true for you.

We're proud to be a college that works in partnership with its members. Our Contributors bring energy, ideas, and commitment that shape our work and our future - and we are stronger because of it.

I look forward to the opportunity to work with you.

With warm wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Harden". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Dr Stephen Harden

President of The Royal College of Radiologists

02 Role Summary

Role title:	Portfolio Pathway Committee Member
Time Commitment:	2 -3 hours per month
Location:	Remote or in-person
Closing date for applications:	22 May 2026

Why this role exists

The Portfolio Pathway (formerly known as CESR) is a key route to the Specialist Register. The Portfolio Pathway Committee's purpose is to assess applications submitted through this pathway and make recommendations to the GMC regarding individual applications for Specialist Registration in radiology or oncology.

Your role will be to evaluate whether applicants have the relevant knowledge, skills and experience (KSE) for entry to the Specialist Register, or outline what more needs to be done to meet the required standard. The role involves providing clear, evidence-based recommendations, contributing to panel discussions and maintaining confidentiality.

Are you passionate about upholding high professional standards and shaping the future of your specialty? We're looking for committed consultants to join our Portfolio Pathway committee and help ensure that departments are led by individuals with the right knowledge, skills and experience.

Your impact

As a committee member, your expertise directly influences the quality and safety of the radiology and oncology workforce. Through careful, evidence-based assessment of applications, you help determine whether applicants meet the required knowledge, skills and experience criteria, or identify what further development is needed.

Your contribution supports high professional standards, protects patients' interests and strengthens public confidence in specialist registration. Your feedback helps applicants understand expectations clearly, promoting fairness and transparency. You can be part of shaping the future leadership and capability of departments across your specialty.

03 Key responsibilities and requirements

As a member of the Portfolio Pathway Committee, you will review applications submitted through the Portfolio Pathway route in either clinical radiology or oncology.

You will work collaboratively with colleagues and receive support from the RCR Workforce Development and Training (WDAT) team who provide guidance and administrative support to complete the recommendations. You must be able to demonstrate an interest in and experience of at least some of the following attributes and areas of practice:

Knowledge, qualifications and experience	Essential (E) or Desirable (D)
Current member of the RCR and in good standing with the College	E
GMC registered with a licence to practise and listed on the GMC Specialist Register (clinical radiology or oncology)	E
Up to date knowledge of specialist training pathways and curriculum standards	D
Understanding of the Portfolio Pathway route and Specialty Specific Guidance	D
Evidence of equality and diversity training undertaken within the last two years	E
Experience contributing to professional or clinical committees	D
Skills and abilities	
A commitment to abide by the Contributor Code of Conduct .	E
Strong verbal and written communication skills	E
Ability to assess detailed evidence against defined standards	D
Sound professional judgement and the ability to make fair, consistent decisions	E
Good organisational and time management skills	E

Other Requirements

All RCR board and committee members are expected to demonstrate adherence to the [College values & strategy](#).

04 Commitment and conditions

Contributors at the RCR play a vital role in supporting the College's initiatives and driving its progress. Although our Contributor positions are undertaken on a voluntary basis, each role has optimal impact when Contributors dedicate sufficient time to fulfilling the responsibilities entrusted to them.

The time commitment for this role averages one application per month (approximately 2-3 hours). During the induction period, the applicant will be expected to attend one meeting per month with the Co-Chairs. The Co-Chairs will use these sessions to support the committee member in developing confidence with the criteria and best practices for fair and effective application assessment. Following the induction period, the member may participate more flexibly and choose which monthly meeting they wish to attend.



05 Support and benefits of the role

Support provided to the role

The RCR will offer you strong support, ensuring that you are informed, feel valued, and are equipped to fulfil your role.

This includes:

- information and administrative support provided by an RCR staff contact
- regular engagement opportunities with RCR staff and fellow Contributors,
- RCR's Contributor Officer, providing high-level support for all Contributors,
- the opportunity to attend induction sessions, providing you with all relevant information to fulfil your role effectively,
- the [Contributor Code of Conduct](#) and [Contributor Handbook](#), which provide reassurance around our expectations of conduct and personal integrity.

Benefits of the role



Networking with a diverse community of Fellows and experts



Clear progression pathways to more in-depth roles



Wide variety of roles tailored to individual interests



Opportunities to advance Clinical Radiology and Oncology and improve patient care



CPD points available for many roles



Dedicated staff contact for personalised support

06 Application process

How to apply

Applicants are asked to submit a short CV and a brief statement outlining their relevant experience and how these meet the attributes listed above. Please include details of your specialty interest areas as well as your RCR membership number.

Please submit your application to the [WDAT Operations Manager](#) by 5pm on 22nd May 2026.

Applications will be assessed by the Chairs of the CR/CO Portfolio Pathway Committee and the Medical Director Education and Training of the Faculty. It will be ensured that no member of the selection panel has a conflict of interest with any applicant. It is not anticipated that it will be necessary to hold interviews.

Our commitment to Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion

We are committed to actively fostering an inclusive culture at the RCR. We uphold a commitment to building a Contributor group that reflects the diversity of our global community, and therefore we actively welcome applications from individuals from under-represented groups and diverse backgrounds. We are also dedicated to making reasonable adjustments, for example, offering documents in alternative formats to accommodate neurodiversity. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact the Contributor Officer: contributors@rcr.ac.uk

Important information for Contributors

- We encourage you to explore the [Contributor Code of Conduct](#) and [Contributor Handbook](#).
- We request that all applicants complete our [EDI Monitoring Form](#). The information you provide anonymously will help us to understand how our Contributor group represents a diverse range of experience, views and backgrounds. Please complete the form by clicking this link: [EDI Monitoring Form for Applicants to Contributor Roles](#)
- All data will be handled in accordance with our data protection policy and membership privacy notice.
- Please note that you may be required to complete a 'Declaration of conflict of interest' form.
- For more general queries about the role of an RCR Contributor, please email contributors@rcr.ac.uk



“It’s a great network of colleagues and individuals who share similar interests in education and training.”

“One of the best things I do! Great group of colleagues.”

“An opportunity to work with some inspirational individuals & learn a lot about our specialty.”

“I found it interesting, personally developmental and hugely collaborative.”

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