



# Public representative, CR Academic Committee Contributor candidate pack



The Royal College of Radiologists

# 01 Welcome

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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, flowing style.

**Dr Stephen Harden**

**President of The Royal College of Radiologists**

## 02 Role Summary

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Role title: Public representative, CR Academic Committee

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Time Commitment: 3-year role

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Location: Remote/The Royal College of Radiologists, London

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Closing date for applications: 7 August 2026

### Overall purpose of the committee

The function of the Clinical Radiology Academic Committee is to explore methods by which the College can encourage and facilitate research in the specialty, increase the number of research-active and academic clinical radiologists in the UK and increase the quality of radiology-related research outputs.

## 03 Key responsibilities and requirements

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The public representative must demonstrate an interest in academic medical research and the promotion of research. They will not be expected to comment on specialty specific matters, but will be required to review the patient involvement section in research grant applications as appropriate.

## 04 Commitment and conditions

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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 public representative will serve for a term of three years and may serve for one further term of up to three years by mutual agreement of the Chair, the Vice President and the member.

The main responsibility of Academic Committee members is to attend the three meetings of the Committee each year, to read papers in advance and to contribute to discussions on academic matters. The public representative will be required to review and comment on PPI in our grant applications.



# 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

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## How to apply

Applicants are asked to submit a short CV and a brief cover statement outlining their experience/interest in academic medical research and promoting research. Please submit your application to the [Governance Assistant](#) by 5pm on Friday 7 August 2026.

Applications will be assessed by the Vice-President and another CR Officer at the RCR.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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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