**Investigation Committee members: Application Form (ref GOC02/23)**

Thank you for deciding to apply to be a member on our Investigation Committee. Before starting your application, please ensure that you have read the Candidate Information Pack which is available on our website [[here](https://optical.org/en/publications/investigation-committee-candidate-information-pack-and-application-form/)](https://optical.org/en/news/news-and-press-releases/goc-looks-to-appoint-ten-new-members-to-its-hearings-panel/).

If you have any questions regarding your application or the role, please contact the GOC’s Governance Team: [appointment@optical.org](mailto:appointment@optical.org) or telephone 020 3728 6940

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| **COMPETENCY STATEMENTS** |

Please indicate how you meet each of the essential and desirable competences for the role as set out on page four of the [Candidate Information Pack](https://optical.org/en/publications/investigation-committee-candidate-information-pack-and-application-form/). It is important you use examples based upon real situations, clarify the task you had to achieve, outline the action you took and identify the result of your action(s). If necessary, you may use the same evidence or example against more than one competency.   
  
**This is your opportunity to demonstrate to the appointment panel that you have the skills and experience to meet the competences. The appointment panel will use the information provided in this section to determine whether or not to invite you to interview.**  
  
Each competency has a 300-word limit. **DO NOT** leave an answer box blank. By leaving it blank you indicate that you do not (or cannot) meet the competency. **ALL** applicants are expected to provide examples for each competency in this section.

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| **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA (LAY & REGISTRANT TO COMPLETE THIS)** |
| **ESSENTIAL (E1):** Demonstrable commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion, dealing with people and issues honestly, fairly and with respect |
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| **ESSENTIAL (E2):** Ability to analyse and interpret complex information and evidence, demonstrating impartiality, intellectual flexibility and sound judgment |
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| **ESSENTIAL (E3):** Ability to listen, communicate and influence effectively, articulating clear reasoning and showing regard to the views and advice of others to support collective decision making |
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| **ESSENTIAL (E4):** Ability to understand and operate within a complex legislative framework – thinking logically and weighing evidence to achieve well-founded impartial decisions using  Reasoning |
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| **ESSENTIAL CRITERIA (REGISTRANT ONLY TO COMPLETE THIS)** |
| **ESSENTIAL (E5):** A qualified optometrist with current “hands on” experience optical primary and/or secondary care; and/or significant involvement in other roles, for example optical education, commissioning, manufacturing, delivery of specialised local service delivery such as glaucoma, cataract and diabetic screening; domiciliary care and clinical-based secondary care, delivery of CPD or in research |
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| **DESIRABLE CRITERIA (LAY & REGISTRANT TO COMPLETE THIS)** |
| **DESIRABLE (D1):** Understanding of professional regulation and its impact on public protection |
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| **DESIRABLE (D2):** Demonstrable commitment to accountability – taking personal responsibility and holding others to account |
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| **DESIRABLE (D3):** Handling and managing complaints |
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Please return this application form, alongside your CV and EDI form, by email to: [appointment@optical.org](mailto:appointment@optical.org) (quoting reference GOC02/23). **To ensure our IT systems can open your application safely, please ONLY send in Microsoft Word or PDF format.**

Once you have submitted your application, we will acknowledge safe receipt within two working days.