

Expression of Interest

Member, Victorian Policy Advisory Committee on Technology (VPACT)



VPACT Members

Expressions of interest are invited from interested clinicians, academics and consumer advocates for honorary membership of VPACT. Membership will be available for a two year period. There are two positions currently available.

The primary purpose of the position is to provide advice to the department and assist in facilitating links between health professionals and organisations concerning of identifying, implementing and monitoring the uptake of new health technologies across Victoria's public health sector.

If you wish to be considered in being appointed a VPACT member, please forward a covering letter, responses to the Selection Criteria listed in below, résumé and signed Declaration of Private Interests to: siegi.schmidmaier@dhs.vic.gov.au.

DETAILS

VPACT comprises of a diverse group of individuals, including clinical specialists, from the health and academic sectors and consumer representation.

VPACT membership will include, but not be limited to, those with experience in any of the following areas:

Population health	Imaging	Transplantation	Genetics
Consumer advocacy	Oncology	Pathology	Neurology
Surgery	Paediatrics	Cardiovascular	Health policy
Ophthalmology/ENT	Clinical pharmacology		
Gastroenterology	Health service management		

Recruitment of new VPACT members will be via this expression of interest (EOI), which will be advertised on the New Technology website, through current member agencies and networks and through health service new technology committees.

The period of tenure will be two years, and members may be eligible for reappointment for a further two years.

Expressions of interest will be reviewed by VPACT in consultation with the department.

Information about VPACT and the department's Health Technology Program is at: www.health.vic.gov.au/newtech/.

Selection Criteria for membership

- Participate in the quarterly VPACT meetings and through electronic communication and teleconferences throughout the year.
- Have relevant clinical, academic or consumer advocacy knowledge, expertise and experience in the following areas:
 - Evidence-based review
 - Clinical practice of medicine
 - Quality and safety
 - Health service delivery
 - Health technology assessment
 - Data management
 - Health economics
- Completion of the declaration of interest form (Attachment 1).

If you are interested in becoming a VPACT member, please address the Selection Criteria and forward with a cover letter, résumé and signed Declaration of Private Interests by mail or email (details below). If you are successful in your application, the next VPACT meeting is planned for September 2009 at the Department of Human Services.

Applications close Friday 7 August 2009.

For further information please contact:

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