

## **Election Guidance for elections to Councils or Committees of the APAGBI**

### **Joining the Council:**

Becoming a member of the APAGBI council, or a subcommittee, gives you the opportunity to contribute to the development of services for children coming to hospital for anaesthesia and surgery. This could involve representing children's services at national meetings, developing guidelines, standards and educational resources, coordinating quality improvement work and promoting useful resources for children and parents. It also involves representing and responding to the 1000 members of the APAGBI.

There are lots of additional roles that can be taken on within council such as education, professional standards, peer review and science leads. This work does require a certain time commitment but is very rewarding.

The full council meets twice a year in London, and once at the ASM wherever that may be each year. We are looking for both recently appointed consultants as well as experienced ones. So, if you are interested in joining us, please stand for election.

### **Election Guidance**

1. I am an active member of the APAGBI living, registered with the relevant authority, and working in the UK or Ireland
2. I understand that the volume of business/time commitment can be substantial, so out of courtesy I have informed my clinical lead/head of department
3. I understand the rules governing the electoral process and agree to abide by them and the spirit in which they were written to ensure fair and equitable process
4. Elections are to be conducted according to the constitution of the APAGBI
5. The electoral process will be overseen by the CIVICA election services and candidates will adhere to their procedural process.
6. All candidates will be given equal access to the APAGBI membership. This will include an electoral statement on the electronic voting system
7. All candidates are expected to treat one another with respect and courtesy
8. All candidates are expected to refrain from unsolicited contact with the APAGBI membership outside the opportunity mentioned above. This could include, for example:
  - a. Additional emails
  - b. Unsolicited telephone calls, messaging or use of social media
  - c. Social media (such as Twitter) should be used with care and should never be used in a way that could give rise to complaints from the membership about unsolicited contact

9.  
Breeches of the election rules  
may result in:

- a. A candidate being asked to consider their decision to stand for election given the commitments they made above
- b. The election being declared void and necessitating it to be rerun



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