

Role Specification: Member of Council of the British Association of Day Surgery

The role of a Council Member of the British Association of Day Surgery encompasses responsibilities of Leadership, Representation and Teamwork. Council members may need to respond both rapidly and flexibly to issues on behalf of the Association at, occasionally, relatively short notice.

The role is unpaid but travelling expenses (which MUST be accompanied by receipts) will be reimbursed according to the current BADS policy.

Essential Criteria

- Is a current member of BADS;
- Has a demonstrable commitment to the Association and its objectives;
- Has a proven track record of both developing and influencing Day/Short Stay Surgery remits within their sphere of practice;
- Is able to commit to attendance at the five annual Council meetings and the two day Annual Conference;
- Is able to commit to assistance with development of publications/media on behalf of the Association.

Desirable Criteria

- By Speciality background, match the balance and requirements of Council to represent all strands of the Association membership (to be defined by Council at the time of nomination/election);
- Is familiar and adept with the use of information technology particularly word processing, email, spreadsheets and presentation media;
- Has a defined sub-speciality area of expertise in Day/Short Stay Surgery (either clinical or managerial) that they are able to present in both formal and informal sessions;
- Is able to lecture or lead workshops competently and coherently to a potentially eclectic audience;
- Has demonstrable writing skills.

How to Apply

Applications should include the following:

- A brief biography;
- Your reason for wishing to join BADS Council;
- Any recent contributions to day surgery development locally or nationally, large or small.

The British Association of Day Surgery is both a Registered Charity and a Limited Company. All elected Council members are legally both Trustees of the Charity and Directors of the Company. As such they have a range of legal and moral responsibilities as set out by the government and the Charities Commissionⁱ and must adhere to the Nolan principlesⁱⁱ. Council members will be required to sign a declaration of their suitability to act as a Charity Trustee on joining Council.

Further information and guidance regarding the responsibilities of Trustees/Directors will be given in the Council induction pack which will be sent to successful applicants.

ⁱ <https://www.gov.uk/topic/running-charity/trustee-role-board>

ⁱⁱ <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-7-principles-of-public-life>