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| Advocacy Panel – application  New member application form  November 2022 |

**Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel**

We appreciate your interest in Cancer Grand Challenges and the opportunity to join the Advocacy Panel. Cancer Grand Challenges is committed to creating an inclusive space to involve people affected by cancer, irrespective of race, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, gender, age, religion, or belief. Applications are actively encouraged from people of any background or culture as we know that a range of views and insights is required to help us represent people affected by cancer more broadly.

We’re keen to broaden the membership of the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel to include the voices of people affected by cancer **based outside of the United Kingdom** to reflect the global nature of the initiative.

**How to apply**

Simply answer the questions that can be found on page three onwards. When drafting your response, we encourage you to carefully re-read the role profile as all applications will be assessed against the criteria outlined in this document. We are particularly interested in why you are interested in the position and how your skills and experience align with the responsibilities assigned to a member of this group.

Once you have answered the questions, please email your application to info@cancergrandchallenges.org. **The deadline to apply to join the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel is 20 January, 2023**.

If you have any queries about the opportunity or how to apply, please reach out to [info@cancergrandchallenges.org](mailto:info@cancergrandchallenges.org) and a member of the Cancer Grand Challenges team will get back to you within two working days. We can also provide accessible versions of the application form upon request.

**How your information will be stored, used and shared**

We are aware that this application process asks you to share personal and sensitive information with us. In the UK, where this information will be stored is called 'special category data' under our Data Protections Laws.

Please only provide this information if you are comfortable doing so. However, this information will ensure 'equality of opportunity or treatment in the public interest' as set out in the Data Protection Act 2018.

This information will be viewed strictly as confidential and only shared with the individuals who will help to review and shortlist applications for this position.

*You can find out more about how we store your information, and how we might use your data in our* [*Privacy Policy*](https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/privacy-statement)*.*

**After you have submitted your application**

Once the deadline has passed, Cancer Research UK will work with members from the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel to shortlist the applications. We will notify you over email if you have or have not been shortlisted for an online interview. All interviews will take place online using Microsoft Teams.

We often receive more applications to join the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel than there are positions available. However, we want to be able to share alternative ways for you to get involved with the initiative or our founding partners, Cancer Research UK and the National Cancer Institute. If you want to receive these updates, you can opt-in at the end of this application.

**Application form**

**ABOUT YOU**

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| **Personal information and details** | |
| Full name: |  |
| Date of birth: |  |
| Country you live in: |  |
| Email address: |  |
| Phone number: |  |

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| **Tick or highlight all that apply:** |
| ☐ I have/had a cancer diagnosis  ☐ A close family member/friend has had a diagnosis of cancer  ☐ I have been/am a carer/caregiver for a cancer patient  ☐ I affiliate with or represent a cancer organization |
| ***Please tell us a bit more about yourself and, if relevant, your experience of cancer (e.g., cancer type, treatment etc.) but only if you feel comfortable*** (max. 250 words)  *For example, how has your experience of cancer impacted your passion for patient advocacy?* |

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| ***Why are you interested in becoming a member of the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel?***(max 250 words)  *For example, is there something about being involved in the funding process and/or supporting the funded teams with involvement and engagement that particularly interests you?* |
| ***What skills and experiences do you have that would make you a good member of the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel?*** (max 500 words)  *This might be from past work, volunteer experience, or other life events. You may also want to share whether you have experience with the following:*   * *Peer reviewed basic, translational, or clinical science concept or protocol* * *Served as an Institutional Review Board (IRB) member at a local, national, or international level* * *Served on an advocacy committee, working group, or advisory board for a research related organization* * *Served on a research-related editorial board, translating and disseminating scientific information to a non-scientific audience* * *Recruited clinical trial participants and/or educate patients about clinical trials.* |
| ***How will you ensure that you can represent the perspectives of a broad range of people affected by cancer on the Cancer Grand Challenges Advocacy Panel?*** (max 200 words)  *We would encourage you to think about your network and the patient focused groups, panels, committees, and communities etc. that you are a member of.* |
| ***Why do you think that people affected by cancer should be involved in research?*** (max 250 words) |
| Interviews are currently planned for week commencing 13 February 2023  If you are shortlisted, please note below if you have a preference as to when your *approx.* 1-hour virtual interview (via Microsoft Teams) could take place or days/dates to avoid and/or if you have any accessibility requirements such as requesting to do the interview over the phone. |

**STAY IN TOUCH**

Please tick/highlight which newsletters you would like to receive:

* Cancer Grand Challenges newsletter – research and advocacy updates/opportunities
* NCI’s Office of Advocacy Relations newsletter – Latest NCI news and upcoming events for patient advocates
* CRUK’s Patient Involvement Newsletter