The CSP Charitable Trust
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THE CHARTERED SOCIETY OF PHYSIOTHERAPY CHARITABLE TRUST

SCIENTIFIC PANEL SERVICE USER

ROLE DESCRIPTION

1. The appointee will be a member of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy Charitable Trust's (CSPCT) Scientific Panel. The Panel meets to discuss and consider applications from physiotherapists (CSP Members), for funding which is awarded to allow research into physiotherapy to be carried out.

2. The appointee will be one of two members of the public (lay members) who will be asked to contribute to the work of the Scientific Panel, should the two currently active service users be unable to contribute during a given award round.

3. The appointee would join the Scientific Panel for an initial term of four years, renewable for an optional further period of two years.

4. To attend the two meetings of the Scientific Panel each year. These are usually held in London, in May and November and can be held over two days. Where face-to-face meetings are not possible, then meetings are hosted virtually.

5. Preparation for meetings includes reading and providing feedback on applications to assess whether service users and the public have been appropriately considered and involved in developing the research proposal.

6. To provide a service users perspective during discussions and decision making by the Panel.

7. To draw to the Panel's attention any matters of current interest or concern to patients and patient organisations, of which the Panel needs to be aware.

8. The appointee will be entitled to reimbursement of any necessary travel and subsistence expenses incurred in attendance at meetings, as per CSPCT policy. Remuneration of £100 per day will also be offered for meeting attendance (this is an optional payment which some appointees may prefer to decline, depending on their circumstances).

9. Support and assistance will be available for appointees with disabilities – meetings are held in accessible venues, and training and advice on the role will be offered e.g. on how the Committee runs and on the content or designs of research proposals.