

Could you spare some time to provide a voice for patients, carers & your community?



*You could join one of our
committees as a lay member*



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Lay members are members of the public who may also be patients or carers. They play a key role in making sure that the views of patients, their families and carers, and the general public help to inform decisions about medicines and treatments. The All Wales Therapeutics and Toxicology Centre (AWTTC) and your Local Health Board are looking for new lay members for some of their committees.

Who can be a lay member?

Anyone aged 18 years and older living in Wales can apply to become a lay member. There are a few exceptions, for example, *people currently employed by NHS Wales cannot be lay members.*

Lay member applicants do not need a background in health – healthcare professionals are already well represented on our committees.

No scientific, research or health economics knowledge is needed; **AWTTC** gives training to lay members in these areas. IPFR panel lay members need to live in the health board area they represent.

What does the role involve?

All our lay members need to:

- attend at least 80% of committee meetings
- take part in discussions at committee meetings
- read the committee papers before a meeting
- comment on documents between meetings
- keep the committee's work confidential

What do lay members get?

Our past and current lay members say that they get great personal satisfaction from being a lay member. They enjoy the challenge and responsibility of being part of a committee that makes important decisions on medicines for the people of Wales.

Interested in becoming a lay member?

Please visit

awttc.nhs.wales/lay

or email

awttc@wales.nhs.uk