

Lay Group Role details

Are you passionate about health care and shaping the future of Emergency Medicine in Scotland and Northern Ireland?

We are looking for non-medical people living in Scotland and Northern Ireland who have a commitment and interest in the health service and what happens in an A&E department to support our work in Scotland and Northern Ireland.

The role (see [Lay Group role description](#)) helps to develop the work of the College and bring the patient perspective, providing advice from an 'ordinary person' perspective to wider College committees on the standards of care and training in Emergency Medicine, with a remit to highlight areas of patient and carer concern. The College represents all four nations in the UK but is looking for people specifically to sit on the Scottish and the NI boards and should ideally live in those nations.

The role is voluntary and there should be no conflict of interests with any personal cause related to an A&E department and volunteers must not have a clinical background.

Commitment / requirements:

- Contribute to four LAG meetings a year – three online, one in person in London
- Can contribute a Lay group perspective to around four other committee meetings during the year, to focus on Northern Ireland or Scotland
- People of all ages and backgrounds, but with no medical background
- People with an interest and awareness of current medical issues, especially those affecting emergency care and the NHS
- Ability and confidence to speak in meetings with other specialists.
- People who have no political or commercial conflict of interest

The time commitment is approx. 12 days over a year, with four LAG meetings, four Board meetings of the relevant nation and four other committees which support the work of the College. Most meetings are online lasting up to three hours, but there is occasional travel with one in four meetings likely to be in person.