**Expression of Interest Application Form**

*Position:*

**College representative on the Department of Health’s Biosimilars Awareness Initiative Reference Group**

**Information for Applicants**

Applications are invited from Fellows of the College who are interested in representing the College on the Department of Health’s Biosimilars Awareness Initiative Reference Group.

**Background**

The Government has invested over $20 million over 2015-18 into a Biosimilars Awareness Initiative (BAI) to improve awareness and confidence in biosimilar medicines for both health professionals and consumers.

The Department of Health (DoH) is establishing a Reference Group to provide input and advice, specifically to represent the needs and interests of prescribers, dispensers and consumers.

The BAI will be overseen by a Steering Group, which is the body to whom the Reference Group recommendations will be provided. Information on the governance structure of the BAI Reference Group is attached (Attachment 1).

The College representative on the Reference Group will have travel costs covered by the Department.

Please note that the first meeting is likely to be in April (date TBC) and DoH will provide the Terms of Reference then.

**Term and commitment**

* The term of this appointment is until June 2018
* The Reference Group will meet face to face at least twice per year and may be consulted at other times

**College requirements of members**

As a College representative on the Working Party you will be required to:

* Be a member of the College
* Adhere to the College’s Code of Conduct
* Provide the College with a report or summary of meeting outcomes as agreed with the Policy & Advocacy department

**Attachments**

1. Overview of the governance and consultation structure

**Applicant details**

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| Title |  |
| Given Names |  |
| Family Name |  |
| Address |  |
| Contact Number |  |
| Email |  |
| Member Number (MIN#) |  |
| DFAC |  |

**Selection criteria - Briefly state how your knowledge, qualifications, experience and personal attributes apply to each criterion below:**

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| 1. **Current involvement in any biosimilars matters**
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| 1. **Experience relevant to this appointment**
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| 1. **Capacity to attend meetings and other consultations & report back to the College on the key points and outcomes of the meetings**
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| 1. **Do you have any professional or personal connections that may give cause for perceived conflict of interest regarding this appointment?**
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Please attach a copy of your Curriculum Vitae as relevant to this position.

Please email your completed application form and CV to racpconsult@racp.edu.au by no later than **COB Thursday 18 February 2016**.

**Note: the successful applicant’s contact details and CV will be shared with DoH.**