

Application Pack for Statewide Clinical Network Steering Committee Membership

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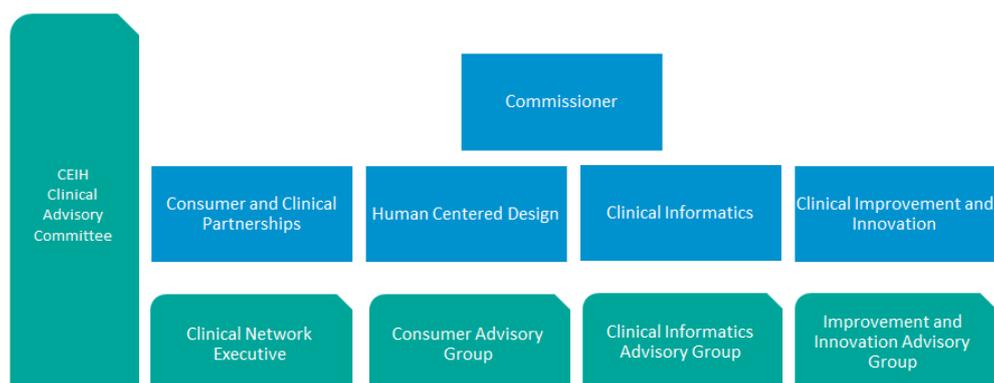
- Surgical and Perioperative Care
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Organisational Context

The Commission on Excellence and Innovation in Health (CEIH) provides leadership and advice on clinical best practice with a focus on maximising health outcomes for patients, improving care and safety, monitoring performance, championing evidence-based practice and clinical innovation, and supporting clinical collaboration. The CEIH brings together expertise from clinicians, consumers, health partners and other relevant stakeholders to maximise health outcomes for patients.

The CEIH has four directorates:

- Consumer and Clinical Partnership
- Clinical Improvement and Innovation
- Clinical Informatics
- Human Centred Design



Establishing Statewide Clinical Networks is a core component of the CEIH's commitment to partnerships and engagement.

Statewide Clinical Networks

Statewide Clinical Networks (SCNs) are groups of health professionals, health service organisations, consumers and carers who work collaboratively with the goal of high quality care. Statewide Clinical Networks operate across the continuum of care, across private and public sectors and across all Local Health Networks — both country and metropolitan. The word 'statewide' is intended to describe the scope of the Clinical Networks' focus as being across the entire South Australian health system geographically and cross sectorally.

The SCNs will each be supported by a small Steering Committee of key personnel able to influence outcomes and implement changes to services as required with leadership provided by a Statewide Clinical Network Lead. All staff, consumer and carers involved in the particular service area of the designated Network are considered members of that SCN, including those outside SA Health.

The SCNs will have a Lead who will report to the Commissioner through the CEIH Executive Director Consumer and Clinical Partnerships.

SCNs are for a limited time duration. Depending on the Network's plan and priorities developed by the Steering Committee a time line will be negotiated with the CEIH. It is estimated that most Networks will be of 3 to 5 years duration. The CEIH will work with Networks at their conclusion to transition them, if appropriate, to a self-sustaining form, known as a Statewide Clinical Community of Practice.

Statewide Clinical Network Steering Committee

The Steering Committees will provide oversight of the development, implementation and evaluation of the Network's priorities.

Steering Committee members will have a demonstrated passion for the clinical specialty or health theme, be strategic thinkers, excellent communicators and have the ability to influence change in service delivery. Consumer and carer members of the Steering Committee will have the ability to advocate generally for the needs of Consumers and carers and preferably have some lived experience relevant to the Network.

The Steering Committee will be constructed to reflect a balance of experience across metropolitan and rural settings and from within and out of hospital sectors. The Steering Committee will be led by the Statewide Clinical Network Lead.

What do I need to know?

- The Statewide Clinical Network Lead and the Executive Director Clinical Partnerships will select the initial steering committee members.
- The CEIH Commissioner will confirm final appointment.
- The application process will be advertised and promoted online.

Selection Criteria

- Relevant professional, consumer or carer, and/or other relevant expertise.
- Demonstrated commitment to quality improvement.
- Availability to participate in activities of the Steering Committee, including face to face meetings, working groups and out-of-sessions work.
- An understanding of and support for the role of the Statewide Clinical Network and more broadly CEIH.

If selected, you will also need to submit a completed conflict of interest and confidentiality declaration form, and a letter of support from your employing agency.

How to apply?

To submit your expression of interest, please address the selection criteria available via the Survey Monkey link available on the [CEIH website](#).

More Information

Please read the frequently asked questions at the end of this document.

For any enquiries, please contact the CEIH via email:

- Surgical and Perioperative Care – CEIH.SurgicalPeri-operative@sa.gov.au
- Adolescent Transition Care – CEIH.AdolescentTransition@sa.gov.au
- Clinical Genomics – CEIH.ClinicalGenomics@sa.gov.au
- Chronic Pain – CEIH.ChronicPain@sa.gov.au

Related Documents

Statewide Clinical Network Steering Committee Terms of Reference will be available on the [CEIH website](#).

Frequently asked questions

Do I have to work in a public hospital to apply?

No. Statewide Clinical Networks bring together the providers of a particular speciality from across hospital and community settings. This creates an environment for clinicians from Local Health Networks, primary care, non-government organisations and the private sector, to come together and consider how their service can best develop in response to changing community needs. Steering Committee membership will be constructed to reflect this.

What time commitment is required?

It is anticipated that Steering Committee meetings will initially occur monthly, but this may become less frequent as the Clinical Network becomes established. There may be other forums and planning sessions that members are asked to attend. Members may also be asked to contribute to working groups to progress time limited priority projects for the network. There is also likely to be some out-of-session work and actions that arise from meetings that will require member contribution.

How will the Steering Committees be supported?

Each Clinical Network will have a Lead who will provide leadership to the network. The CEIH will provide a Network Advisor for each network who will work closely with the Lead and the Steering Committee to manage the overall program of work for the network. The CEIH will also have a supporting role in guiding the work of the network by providing expertise in clinical informatics and improvement methodologies. Administrative support will also be provided.

Will there be consumers on the Steering Committee?

Yes. CEIH involves consumers and carers (or their representatives) at all levels in the CEIH. Recruitment of consumers will also occur via an Expression of Interest process.

What other opportunities will there be to be involved with the network?

The Steering Committee will be limited to approximately eight to 12 members and we recognise that there will be many passionate and dynamic people who are not selected. There will be opportunities to participate in working groups, sub-committees and workshops that will be established to progress the work program developed by the Steering Committee.

Will I be paid for my time?

Steering Committee members will usually not be paid in addition to their current employment if they are South Australian public sector employees. Members who are external to the South Australian public sector will be able to apply for sitting fees, preparation time fees, loss of income fees and reimbursement for expenses incurred as a result of participating in Steering Committee activities. Consumers and carers will be reimbursed for their time.

Can I apply if I live in a regional or rural area?

Yes. Membership will be constructed to reflect the necessary mix of knowledge, experience and skills to support the Statewide Clinical Network to fulfil its responsibilities. A balance of experience across metropolitan and rural settings and from within and out of hospital sectors will be sought.

Will teleconference or videoconference be available for meetings?

Yes. The meeting format will be a combination of teleconference, videoconference and face to face to support participation of members living in regional and rural areas and to comply with COVID-19 social distancing recommendations.

It is the responsibility of members using these arrangements to ensure they are in a private location where information/ discussions can remain confidential.

Members are expected to attend at least 75% of meetings.