

# Recruitment of Non-Executive Director

## News story

The Veterinary Medicines Directorate is recruiting one Non-Executive Director to the VMD's Management Board and Audit and Risk Assurance Committee.



The Veterinary Medicines Directorate is seeking one Non-Executive Director to bring their experience to add critical challenge to the work of the agency and to assist the Chief Executive as accounting officer to provide the necessary assurance.

## Person Specification

We are looking to recruit one individual who will bring the following skills to the VMD's Management Board and Audit and Risk Assurance Committee:

- management experience on a board or running or overseeing a public sector/commercial business. This should include experience of financial controls, the use of management information to drive business improvement and working in partnership with other organisations to deliver outcomes, products or services
- experience of working on an audit committee
- an ability to chair a meeting
- an appreciation of the functions and responsibilities of a public service organisation and how such organisations have been responding to the drive for efficiency across Government
- an ability to communicate and build relationships at all levels and good interpersonal skills, including the ability to negotiate, persuade and build partnerships at all levels
- the ability to provide impartial, objective and pragmatic advice, to contribute to discussions at a strategic level and to think creatively and bring independent judgement to bear on issues of strategy, performance and resources

You will need to demonstrate in your written application examples of where your experience matches these essential skills.

## **Additional desirable skills:**

- experience of working within the Animal Health Sector and an understanding of the science related to livestock husbandry
- animal welfare or veterinary science and/or functional animal nutrition
- experience of the IT industry

## **Additional Information**

All candidates will be required to complete the following forms:

- diversity monitoring questionnaire
- political activity questionnaire

## **How to Apply**

For forms and information on how to apply please contact Chris Abbott [c.abbott@vmd.gov.uk](mailto:c.abbott@vmd.gov.uk).

Applications to be received by midday Friday 26 February 2021.

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