

eviQ cancer genetics and paediatric cancer genetics reference committee membership eligibility criteria

These criteria are in place to ensure diverse and national representation of healthcare experts working in the field of cancer genetics. These criteria apply to 1 May 2024 and will be reviewed at that time.

eviQ cancer genetics reference committee (RC) members are expected to attend at least one virtual meeting per year **AND/OR** to actively participate in eviQ cancer genetics document review and/or development.

As paediatric cancer genetics is a subspecialty, exceptions to these eligibility rules may be made when considering membership of the eviQ cancer genetics paediatric RC at the discretion of that committee's chair and co-chair.

Genetic counsellors

To be eligible to join the eviQ cancer genetics RC, genetic counsellors must:

- Possess FHGSA Certification in genetic counselling **AND** be registered with the HGSA **AND** have a minimum of two (2) years full-time equivalent (FTE) experience working as a genetic counsellor where a substantial component of work done is cancer genetics **OR**
- Possess FHGSA Certification in genetic counselling **AND** be registered with the HGSA **AND** have a minimum of one (1) year FTE experience working as a genetic counsellor where a substantial component of work done is cancer genetics **WITH** a reference from their Head of Department **OR**
- Possess MHGSA in genetic counselling **AND** be Provisionally Registered with the HGSA **AND** have a minimum of five (5) years' FTE experience working as a genetic counsellor where a substantial component of work done is cancer genetics **WITH** a reference from their Head of Department **OR**
- Provide evidence of other genetics or cancer genetics experience deemed suitable at the discretion of the eviQ cancer genetics RC chair and co-chair (including but not limited to overseas-qualified genetic counsellors with appropriate experience working as a cancer genetic counsellor, genetic counsellor working in Australia or New Zealand with substantial evidence of cancer genetics research, including PhD).

Geneticists/other specialists/medical

To be eligible to join the eviQ cancer genetics RC, medically qualified individuals must:

- Have six (6) months' FTE advanced training in cancer genetics **OR**
- Have 12 months' FTE advanced training in medical oncology **OR**
- Have completed FRACP, FRACS or FRCPA in a relevant specialty at the discretion of the eviQ cancer genetics RC chair and co-chair **OR**
- Provide evidence of other genetics or cancer genetics experience deemed suitable at the discretion of the eviQ cancer genetics RC chair and co-chair (including but not limited to substantial evidence of cancer genetics research).

Cancer genetics researchers

To be eligible to join the eviQ cancer genetics RC, researchers must provide evidence of cancer genetics experience deemed suitable at the discretion of the eviQ cancer genetics RC chair and co-chair (including but not limited to substantial evidence of cancer genetics research).

Non-member observers

At the discretion of the eviQ cancer genetics RC chair and co-chair, an individual not eligible for membership of the eviQ cancer genetics RC may be granted permission to attend via teleconference one (1) reference committee meeting as an observer.

Individuals applying to observe an eviQ cancer genetics RC must provide in writing details of:

- Their cancer genetics experience **AND**
- Their reason for applying to observe the RC **AND**
- Their current position **AND**
- A reference from their Head of Department **OR** an introduction from a member of their service who is a current or past member of the eviQ cancer genetics RC.

Where an individual's application to observe an eviQ cancer genetics RC is approved, the non-member must be referred to eviQ to provide registration details for governance-required agreement to the code of conduct and terms of reference and to declare any potential conflict(s) of interest.

Non-reference committee members' expert input into eviQ documents

Where an eviQ cancer genetics RC member engages an expert non-member to provide input into eviQ content, the non-member expert must be referred to eviQ to provide registration details for governance-required agreement to the code of conduct and terms of reference and to declare any potential conflict(s) of interest.