

Honorary Treasurer

Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE ROLE OF HONORARY TREASURER OF THE FACULTY OF PRE-HOSPITAL CARE (FPHC), THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH (RCSEd)**

**Deadline for Applications 17.00 Thursday 31st July 2025**

**It is anticipated that interviews will be conducted in August/September 2025**

The Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh invites applications for the role of Honorary Treasurer. Applicants must be Fellows or Members of the Faculty in good standing.

The Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care is a dynamic and forward-thinking community at the heart of excellence in pre-hospital care. Bringing together passionate professionals from diverse backgrounds, the Faculty plays a vital role in setting standards, advancing education, and shaping the future of pre-hospital care. Volunteers are at the core of our mission, helping to drive innovation, collaboration, and the highest standards of patient care.

The Colleges six Faculties operate as an integral part of the College, supporting the professional needs of healthcare groups outside the College’s core focus on Surgery and Dental Surgery. While Faculties have distinct identities, governance structures, and strategic priorities, they remain within the College’s overall governance framework. Faculties play a vital role in upholding standards, delivering educational offerings, and engaging with members and external stakeholders.

The College provides oversight, governance support, and strategic alignment, ensuring that Faculty activities contribute to its broader mission of professional development, education, and patient safety.

## Summary of the Role

The Honorary Treasurer of the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care plays a critical role in overseeing the financial affairs of the faculty. This voluntary position, with expenses reimbursed, includes support for travel and accommodation as needed.

As one of the five FPHC Office bearers, proactively assist in maintaining a strategic overview of the Faculty and contribute to the ongoing work and development of the Faculty.

## Commitment and Term of Office

The Honorary Treasurer role requires an estimated commitment of at least one – two days per month, delivered flexibly and including evening meetings, though occasionally more may be needed depending on workload and any unanticipated events.

This is a voluntary position, appointed for an initial three-year term, with the option for reappointment for an additional year, subject to College Council approval. To ensure a smooth transition, the Faculties team will provide a robust and supportive induction period for the incoming Honorary Treasurer lasting up to six months and tailored to the individual’s needs. This will include facilitating a structured handover process between the outgoing and incoming Honorary Treasurer, ensuring continuity and effective leadership from the outset.

## Eligibility

Applications must be a current Fellow or Member of the Faculty in good standing. There is no requirement to have previously served on the Executive Committee.

The College is committed to fostering an inclusive and diverse environment and welcomes applications from individuals of all backgrounds. We encourage applications from people of all ages, genders, ethnicities, races, religions, sexual orientations, abilities, and socio-economic backgrounds. We value candidates who bring a range of lived experiences and perspectives, and who reflect the diversity of our pre-hospital care community. Our commitment to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI) underpins our recruitment process, ensuring fairness and equal opportunities for all. We are dedicated to creating a welcoming environment where everyone can contribute meaningfully and thrive.

In addition to the role specification, the Honorary Treasurer should have the following qualities and experience:

## Person Specification:

We warmly encourage applications from individuals who may feel they do not fully meet the desirable criteria. For all desirable criteria listed, a comprehensive induction and ongoing support will be provided by our experienced and friendly Faculties team, ensuring you are fully equipped to succeed in the role. If you are passionate about contributing to the Faculty’s mission and believe you bring valuable skills or perspectives, we encourage you to apply.

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| **Essential Criteria** | **Desirable Criteria** |
| Significant and long-standing professional experience in fields relevant to pre-hospital care gained through clinical and / or academic roles. | Previous experience in a leadership role. |
| Strong interpersonal and communication skills to engage effectively with diverse stakeholders, including members, volunteers, and external organisations. | Good understanding of financial management and reporting. |
| Demonstrate leadership by upholding the College’s values and adhering to its code of conduct ensuring professional and respectful behaviour in all interactions with members, volunteers, staff, and external stakeholders. | Familiar with budgeting processes. |
| Alignment with the Faculty’s strategic aims, particularly in maintaining standards for pre-hospital care and supporting professionals to achieve these standards. | Previous experience in a financial role in either a Charity/Non-profit or Education Sector. |
| Ability to provide objective, independent advice and support relevant to the Faculty. | Appreciation of Governance and or experience of Governance oversight. |
| Sufficient personal time and capacity to review and consider documents, policies, position statements and consensus statements, and to attend as required meetings, either virtually or in person. |  |
| A clear motivation to contribute to the development of the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care. You can learn more about the Faculty by clicking here. [FPHC About Us](https://fphc.rcsed.ac.uk/the-faculty/about-us). |  |

## The Role in Detail:

Supported and guided by the Faculties team, the Honorary Treasurer is responsible for:

1. **Financial Oversight**

* Liaise with the Chair, Honorary Secretary, Head of Faculties and Faculties team to ensure the financial viability of the Faculty.
* Ensure all strategic plans are financially appraised and budgets are aligned to both short-term and long-term objectives each year.
* Review financial reports prepared by the faculties office.
* Assist with the production of an annual budget with the Chair, Honorary Secretary, Head of Faculties and Faculties team.

1. **Governance and Oversight**

* Ensure adherence to good governance practices, College policies, and governing instruments.
* Support succession planning, term cycles, and leadership pipeline development to nurture future Faculty leaders.

1. **Stakeholder Engagement and Membership Growth**

* Represent the Faculty at meetings, events, and external engagements as agreed with the Faculty Chair.

1. **Advisory and Communication Support**

* Provide strategic oversight and advisory support on Faculty correspondence, emails, and inquiries, while daily communications are managed by staff.
* Collaborate with the Faculty Chair, Executive Committee, and College departments (Faculties, Examinations, Education, Membership, and Governance) to ensure effective systems and processes.

1. **Meeting Organisation and Contribution**

* Attend, contribute to, and occasionally chair Faculty meetings and working groups, setting agendas and approving meeting minutes.
* Engage proactively with the College’s senior leaders, Vice President for Faculties, and Faculty Executive Committee to achieve the Faculty’s strategic objectives.
* Assist the Chair in coordinating the Faculty’s responses to consultations from relevant professional bodies.
* Represent the Faculty on working groups or external bodies when requested by the Chair or Executive Committee and report back to the Executive Committee or Faculty Advisory Board.
* To lead or take responsibility for specific Faculty activities, sub-committees or programmes as agreed with the Chair or Executive Committee.

**Meeting Commitments**

As a minimum, the Honorary Treasurer is expected to attend:

* Up to six Executive Committee meetings per year
* Up to six Office Bearer meetings per year
* Up to two Faculty Advisory Board meetings per year

## Application Instructions and Appointment Process

Provided below is a step-by-step guide to the application process for the role of Honorary Treasurer, Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care. Please follow the instructions below to ensure your application is submitted correctly:

1. **Complete the Application Form**

* Interested candidates should fill out the application form provided within this document.

1. **Submit the Application via Email**

* Send the completed application form by email to: [fphc@rcsed.ac.uk](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk).
* Ensure that the email subject line includes: *Application for Honorary Treasurer, Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care*.

1. **Application Deadline**

* Submit your application by **17.00 Monday 31st July 2025**. Late applications will not be considered.

1. **Selection Process**

* Applications will be reviewed, and shortlisted candidates will be invited for a panel interview.
* Appointment is subject to approval by the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care Executive Committee and ratification by the College Council.

1. **Interview Details**

* Interviews are anticipated to take place in July/August 2025 via MS Teams or an alternative video conferencing platform.
* If you require assistance or specific access arrangements, please contact the faculty office at [fphc@rcsed.ac.uk](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk)

1. **Appointment and Post-Appointment Induction**

* The successful candidate will be asked to provide two professional references.
* A comprehensive induction process will be provided to the successful candidate, tailored to develop knowledge of the Faculty’s governance, structure, and operations.

Please direct any questions or requests for further information to [fphc@rcsed.ac.uk](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk)

Please note that this position is voluntary, however, travel, accommodation and subsistence for activities relating to the role will be reimbursed in accordance with the RCSEd Travel Policy.

For a confidential discussion about the role, please contact the faculty at [fphc@rcsed.ac.uk](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk) in the first instance.

For a discussion about working with the Faculty please contact the Chair of the Faculty, [fphc@rcsed.ac.uk](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk).

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**Application Form**

**Information supplied in this application will be held and used by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh only for the purpose of administering this application process.**

**Please complete the form below and return to** [**fphc@rcsed.ac.uk**](mailto:fphc@rcsed.ac.uk) **by 17.00 Thursday 31st July 2025.**

## SECTION A – PERSONAL DETAILS

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| **Surname:** | |
| **First name:** | **Preferred first name:** |
| **Title:** | **GMC/NMC/HCPC/Number** (if applicable): |
| **Job Title:** | **Profession:** |
| **Region:** | |
| **Specialty** (if applicable): | **Faculty Membership Reference Number:** |
| **Email:** | **Mobile No:** |

## SECTION B – PERSONAL STATEMENTS

**Applications will be assessed and shortlisted against the criteria described in the Application and Appointment Process section of this document. Please do your best to address these in your supporting statement.**

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| **Supporting Statement**  **Please provide a supporting statement for your application. *Please limit your answer to a maximum of 750*** **words** |
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| **Question 1:**  **What relevant activity have you undertaken to date that would enable you to be an effective Honorary Treasurer of the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care?**  ***Please limit your answer to a maximum of 250*** **words** |
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| **Question 2:**  **What would you hope to achieve during your term of office?**  ***Please limit your answer to a maximum of 250*** **words** |
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## SECTION C – TIME COMMITMENT

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| **Are you able to commit to the following:**   * **attending a minimum of two in person Executive Committee meetings per annum** * **a commitment of approximately one day upward per week. In addition to attending meetings, this includes the time required to review documents and any other tasks set by the Chair of the Faculty** | Yes  No |

## SECTION D – DECLARATIONS

**Successful applicants will be requested to declare any relevant interests that could, or could be perceived to, conflict with the role of Honorary Treasurer. For example, those holding a similar position with another Royal College or Faculty will not be eligible to apply for the role.**

Please outline below any appointments (voluntary or otherwise), memberships, relationships, or i**nvolvement in external exams or education activity relevant to the interests of RCSEd or the FPHC, which** might prevent you from acting effectively in the position offered to you or in the best interests of the College and/or its faculties.

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| **Registerable Interest** | **Description of Interest** |
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## SUBMISSION DECLARATION

Please read the statement below and type your name to indicate your signature. We consider a form submission to be a signed form.

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| Tothe best of my knowledge, the given information is complete and accurate. | | *(please tick)* |
| **I confirm I am a Fellow or Member of the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care of RCSEd in good standing.** | | *(please tick)* |
| **Signature:** | **Date:** | |