



Nomination of Officers for NHS BME Network Executive Committee

Rudi Page

Name of Nominee:-----

Vice-Chairman

For the post of:-----

Biography

Rudi Page is a policy implementation specialist and a skilled facilitator, "making connections work" within sensitive environments at board and senior management levels. His unique mentoring & coaching style, has taken well-established private sector practices, such as collaboration, competitiveness, entrepreneurship, and applied them within diverse occupational groups and local communities.

He has specialised in the initiation and strategic direction of programmes and projects that influence the way that individuals and organisations access, communicate and engage with and respond to education, healthcare, cultural learning, regeneration, business support and local economic development and International Development. He devised the "Synergy Project", on behalf North London Training & Enterprise Council/Business Link London North, the model provides institutions with a cultural insight into the needs and aspirations of diverse communities (hard to reach groups), whilst building the capacity of ethnic communities to understand the wider political and strategic context within which they are placed.

An Independent Public Appointments Assessor, accredited by (OCPA) at the Appointments Commission, with extensive experience of Governing Council, SHA's, Trust Boards and DH Advisory and Expert Groups (2003-2012). He is currently the Independent Facilitator for Patient & Public Advisory Group (PPAG) hosted by NHS London and Community Pharmacy Patient & Public Advisory Group (CPPPAG), commissioned by MSWC LPCs.

Evidence of work undertaken to date to progress the race equality agenda

I have a personal and professional commitment to equality and diversity, for which I have a formidable track record of achievement at senior levels in Health sector. I take a “fairness” and “all voices must be heard” approach. This involves identifying individual and group priorities and being able to influence and communicate for consideration what is common amongst the varying interests.

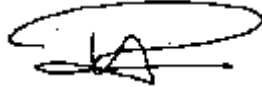
I have a formidable track record for facilitating BME Networks and staff development programmes throughout the NHS including the pathbreaking **Royal College of Nursing** (RCN CONNECT: Rethinking Representation, Leading the Change), **Imperial College London** (Imperial as One: Creative Futures & Knowledge Sharing Symposium), Nursing & Midwifery Council: Fitness to Practice Panels and the widely-acclaimed, Mary Seacole Bicentenary London 2005 and the launch of the BME Staff Network, on behalf of **Guy’s & St Thomas NHS Foundation Trust**. I have mentored numerous BME staff and managers facing a difficult workplace environment and assist individuals who have an expertise to move towards more responsible senior management and leadership roles. I have pioneered the role of Faith Communities being more engaged with Health & Social Care organisations to reduce inequalities and improve cultural competency particularly in mental health.

Evidence of suitability for the post of Vice-Chairman

I volunteered as the Facilitator for the NHS BME Network during some of its’ most challenging times and made a significant contribution to the eventual stability and progression through effective collaborative, management and leadership skills. I am aware of the non-executive role and duties of a Vice-Chairman, having had experience on the Boards of a Theatre and Community Foundation. I have the influencing and communication skills to represent the Network at senior management and policy levels. I also have the capability to improve awareness and understanding of NHS BME Network and Reverse Commissioning at the local network level.

I confirm that I am willing to stand for the post of Vice-Chairman

I also declare that in making this application I do not and will not seek to hold membership with any other BME Network within the Health and/or Social Care sector whilst serving as an Executive Committee member for the NHS BME Network

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Signed:

9.3.2012

Date:-----

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