Application for Steering Committee Member

Safer Baby Bundle Improvement Project Steering committee

Closing date: Friday 20 September 2019

Clinical Excellence Queensland, Department of Health

Clinical Excellence Queensland is seeking a consumer representative for the Safer Baby Bundle Improvement Project Steering committee.

As part of the Queensland Department of Health, CEQ partners with health services, clinicians and consumers to drive measurable improvements in patient care through its continual pursuit of excellence. <https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/index.php/>

Purpose

**What is the Safer Baby Bundle?**

The Safer Baby Bundle addresses evidence-based interventions to address 5 key elements that are known to increase risk of stillbirth.

These include:

* detection and management of women with decreased fetal movements (DFM)
* detection and management of women with fetal growth restriction (FGR),
* maternal smoking
* maternal sleep position, and;
* shared-decision making on the timing of birth for at risk women

The Safer Baby Bundle Improvement Project Steering Committee provides high-level strategic advice and guidance to the Stillbirth Improvement Project as it implements the Safer Baby Bundle and drives improvement, in preventing stillbirths across Queensland.

**Consumer representation is already in place for the steering committee. This opportunity is seeking an additional representative.**

Clinical Excellence Queensland has partnered with the Centre of Research Excellence in Stillbirth (Stillbirth CRE), New South Wales Clinical Excellence Commission, Safer Care Victoria and key stillbirth advocacy organisations, the Stillbirth Foundation Australia and Still Aware to reduce the rate of stillbirth of babies from 28 weeks’ gestation by 20% by 2022.

**Role of the consumer**

Within the committee, the role of the consumer will vary depending on the current priority in focus, but will include providing information and feedback to the group from a consumer perspective and providing advice to inform recommendations made by the committee.

Who is it for?

This role would suit a parent with a lived experience of still birth.

We encourage applications from consumers from diverse backgrounds including, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, people living in rural and remote areas or cultural and linguistically diverse.

Time and location

Steering committee meetings are held monthly on the third Friday of each month. The first meeting from this expression of interest will be held on 18 October 2019 1pm – 3pm.

Meeting can be attended face to face or via teleconference depending on location. All meeting material is provided electronically prior to meetings.

Remuneration and Support

Consumers will be remunerated for their time in line with [Health Consumers Queensland’s remuneration position statement](http://www.hcq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Consumer-Remuneration-Rates-Dec-2015.pdf). Parking and travel expenses will be covered.

Remuneration will be provided as follows:

* $187 per meeting 4 hours and under
* $374 per meeting 4 hours and over

The Principal Project Officer will provide orientation and ongoing support for the successful consumer representative, including pre- and post-meeting briefings, as required.

How to apply

**Please complete this consumer application form and return to****consumer@hcq.org.au**by 20 September 2019

For assistance please contact Health Consumers Queensland via consumer@hcq.org.au or by phone on 07 3012 9090.

**Consumer Application Form**

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Full name:

Preferred phone number:

Email:

Postal address:

Postcode:

* By completing this application, I consent for my details to be added to the Health Consumers Queensland network database YES | NO
* I would like to receive email updates from Health Consumers Queensland YES | NO
* Are you happy for Health Consumers Queensland to share this form with Queensland Health as part of the process for this application? YES | NO
* Would you like us to retain this application for future vacancies? *(Applications not retained are destroyed once the application process is complete.)* YES | NO

Please highlight any group you identify as being a part of:

* Living with a disability/chronic condition
* Caring for someone with a disability
* Physically isolated or transport disadvantaged
* Culturally or linguistically diverse
* From a non-English speaking background

Do you identify as: Aboriginal | Torres Strait Islander | Both | Prefer not to state

Are you a: Consumer | Carer

Age range: 16-24 25-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70+

Please describe any support you need to take part in this activity *(examples include support person, hearing loop, dietary requirements)*

*Your responses to the following questions only need to be a brief sentence or two*

* Please describe your experience as a health consumer representative including committees, focus groups, surveys, governance roles, etc.

*Tip: Past consumer representative positions that have similar requirements to the opportunity you’re expressing interest in. Give an indication of how long each position was for, and any relevant highlights.*

* **Please describe any connections you have to your community (e.g. networks, groups)***Tip: Think about how this relates to the role you’re applying for.*
* Please describe your interest in this topic?

*Tip: Although this section usually requires the longest response, try to keep it concise. Things to consider focusing on here include:*

* *any past lived experience that shows your understanding of the topic, or*
* *your understanding of the social/health/economic implications of the topic/condition, or*
* *Any systems change that you have identified that will improve care for health consumers, and possible strategies you could share to affect that change.*