

# Call for nomination for membership of EFAD Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee

EFAD is looking for members for the Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee

Committee members will not be reimbursed for their work, but any previously approved expenses incurred on behalf of EFAD will be reimbursed.

**Purpose:** To promote and provide leadership on the use of evidence in practice, systematic enquiry and the development of good research governance for all members of EFAD through supporting access of members to funding; raising the profile of expertise of European dietitians and their contribution to knowledge generation to promote citizen health and evidence of the effectiveness of the profession).

## Objectives<sup>1</sup>

- 1. Using best practice of member Associations and Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to propose, advise and/or implement strategies for embedding and developing an evidence-based approach to practice for European Dietitians.
- 2. Encourage knowledge creation and a quality approach to practice through systematic enquiry in practice.
- Encourage developmental opportunities and opportunities to use, share and discuss best practice in dietetic research.
- 4. Proactively liaise with European (health) professional groups and HEIs and other essential research partnerships and collaborations to contribute to dietetic research in Europe.
- 5. Advise the EC about participation in research projects which EFAD is invited to participate in.
- 6. Proactively seek opportunities to raise funding for, and participate in, research
- Make recommendations to EC on acceptance of nominations of expert dietitians. An advanced practitioner/specialist may also be considered an expert

Call for nomination May 2019

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See EFAD Governance Guidance and EFAD Strategic Plan 2017-21

Membership of the Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee will be for 4 years.

The Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee will meet virtually approximately every 4-6 weeks. The Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee is currently working on several deliverables:

- Position paper on the role of dietitians in research
- Plan for better utilization of dietitian's research database
- Present webinar (or use existing materials) on evidence based practice
- Develop workshop or presentation at annual EFAD conference
- Start collection of data regarding dietetics in Europe (e.g. overview of workplaces of dietitians in Europe; how many work in hospital, primary care etc)
- Produce document to increase awareness about ethics for research

#### Selection Criteria

- Qualification in nutrition and dietetics.
- Member of an NDA or HEI that is part of EFAD
- Willingness to actively contribute to the work of the Research Committee
- Experience in dietetic research
- Expertise in data collection, evaluation and quality assessment (auditing).
- Experience of dissemination/teaching evidence based practice

#### **Selection process**

- The Executive Committee will select which of their members will be involved in the selection panel.
- After the deadline for nominations has passed all nominations and supporting documentation will be forwarded to the selection panel.
- Their decisions will be forwarded to the Executive Committee for approval.
- The decision of the Executive Committee is final, and discussion with candidates or nominating organisations will not be entered into.
- All candidates will be informed of the decision of the Executive Committee by email.

#### **Nomination procedure**

Nominations must be accompanied by:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of motivation
- Name of two referees
- Letter of recommendation from a National Dietetic Association

#### Deadline for nominations - 1 June 2019

Please send your nomination, with all accompanying documents to:

Judith Liddell EFAD Executive Director secretariat@efad.org



### Nomination for EFAD Research and Evidence Based Practice Committee

Name of nominee:			
Name of nominating National <i>i</i>	Association		

Nominations should be submitted on this form, with following accompanying documentation

- 1. Curriculum vitae
- 2. Letter of motivation
- 3. Names of two referees
- 4. Recommendation from Association

to reach the Executive Director by 1 June 2019 secretariat@efad.org