

CSP Professional Awards Panel Person Specification

What qualities and personal attributes does a member of the Professional Awards Panel need?

The Professional Awards Panel evaluates and considers nominations against the agreed criteria for the CSP awards of Honorary Fellowship, Fellowship and Distinguished Service Award. It recommends to Council those nominations which meet the eligibility criteria and are considered to be worthy of the awards.

The CSP is a member-led professional body and trade union, directed by members for members. The CSP's professional awards recognise the contribution of physiotherapists and others and their impact on the physiotherapy profession. A strong Professional Awards Panel must have a mix of knowledge, experience and backgrounds to make the right decisions and have a positive impact.

Candidates are asked to explain why they are the right person for this role and how they meet this person specification in their application form.

1.	Strong critical appraisal skills
	You will be able to critically appraise written nominations or applications and judge the degree to which the submission meets the criteria.
2.	Clear and concise verbal and written communication skills
	You will be able to provide clear evidence of your rationale for the scores you give to nominations, and to explain and defend your decisions.
3.	Knowledge of the health and care systems in the UK and of the terminology frequently used
	Your knowledge of the health and care systems in the UK will give you the context with which to consider the award nominations you will be reviewing. Your familiarity with health and care terminology will help you to ascertain the relevance of nominations.
4.	Previous experience of assessing nominations for awards – Desirable
	You will be able to use your experience of assessing nominations for awards to review and score CSP award nominations, and to contribute to developing processes.

Details of your commitment

- The term of office for Panel members is two years.
- Panel members are eligible to be appointed for a second term of two years.
- The Panel will hold no more than two meetings per year; they could be face to face or a telephone conference.
- Panel members will review approximately 15 applications per year by email, alongside meetings.
- Panel members will need to be able to assess applications to set deadlines.
- Preparation for meetings is expected, i.e. reading and assessing awards nominations and reports.
- Travelling and subsistence expenses are paid for attendance at meetings.