

Capital Health Network Limited

Election of Directors 2022

Statement addressing the position requirements for Director position B3

Candidate name (please print):	Dr Niral Shah
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Candidates for positions are invited to provide a short statement of **no more than 500 words** supporting their candidature for the Director positions. Statements will be posted with the ballot papers and will appear on the Capital Health Network website. Election statements should provide a brief profile of the candidate including relevant qualifications and experience and address the position requirements as set out in the Election Notice Vacancy. Statements must be ethical, be able to be substantiated, and not be defamatory, and shall be approved by the Returning Officer. As a general rule, the Returning Officer will not correct spelling or grammatical errors, only the presentation may be amended for publication purposes. The use of this pro-forma is not essential.

Nominees for **Director position B3** must meet the following **essential** criteria:

1. Demonstrated ability to contribute to the Board's strategic thinking

I am a current elected ACT state representative on RACGP Board-the position I held for the last 5 years. I have previously held the similar position with Coast City Country GP training as a registrar representative. I am also a current board member on CHN board.

Both the organisation has a broad holistic approach and a strong commitment to improve the overall health of community as well nation by supporting training and professional development of GP. I have been actively involved in developing policies to support GP registrar training. In my current role I am working with various stake holders like ACT Health, Department of Health and local PHN to:

- Expand on existing professional development opportunities for the GPs in the ACT
- Improving GP involvement in public health initiatives
- Advocate for better working conditions and pay for GP
- Contributed positively in GP registrar as well GP training.

I am also a current board member on CHN board. Last 3 years has been specifically challenging for the community and board. In this difficult time I have worked as a team with the group of like-minded executive and non-executive directors of CHN for strategic directions on workforce planning and delivering of important public health initiatives.

2. Demonstrated ability to provide strong leadership, acting with integrity and high ethical standards

In my current role as a faculty board member with the RACGP, I have provided a strong voice and representation of my fellow general practitioners to the state and some time at the federal level. I am also actively involved with GP registrar and prevocational training.

As a CHN director I have acted in high integrity and ethical standards during the difficult time through the pandemic.

3. Appropriate governance qualifications or experience (i.e. completion of the Australian Institute of Company Directors training or equivalent).

I firmly believe that clinical governance is a critical part of current clinical practice. I have always been interested in auditing or reviewing the current clinical practice with a view to identify the areas of improvement.

I have completed master's in health services management. I have also worked as a medical administration trainee and was actively involved in clinical services redesign and new services development, health improvement projects, medical education and workforce planning.

I have completed the GAICD course from the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

NOTE: 500 word maximum