**Form Re: Expressions of Interest in the Royal College of Psychiatrists’ Parliamentary Scholars Scheme 2025.**

Are you a Psychiatric Resident Doctor or an early career SAS Psychiatrist with an interest in politics? Would you like to see how politics works firsthand while developing your skills to be a future leader in mental health? If so, you may be interested in applying to join the Royal College of Psychiatrists Parliamentary Scholar Programme.

The Programme gives the chance for ST4-6 Resident Doctors/Early Career SAS Psychiatrists to spend one day a week at the House of Lords – when Parliament is sitting, (excludes any recess) - working with Peers with an interest in mental health issues/learning disability to develop leadership and other skills necessary to influence policy on mental health matters. It was set up a few years ago with the support and advice of Baroness Hollins (Crossbench Peer), former President of The Royal College of Psychiatrists.

Due to its success, we are delighted to be able to offer this opportunity again for 2025 to support up to ST4-6 Resident Doctors/Early SAS Psychiatrists drawn from the range of psychiatric subspecialties to use their special interest sessions/SPA sessions to develop experience in parliamentary affairs.

Please note that any costs associated with travel and/or accommodation to participate in the scheme would be funded by the NHS Trust/Health Board employing the Scholar.

Thank you for your expression of interest in the Royal College of Psychiatrists’ Parliamentary Scholars Scheme 2025. Please complete this form and send back to [peter.hand@rcpsych.ac.uk](mailto:peter.hand@rcpsych.ac.uk) by **Friday 13th June 2025.**

If you would like to find out more about the programme or have any questions please contact **Peter Hand**, Public Affairs and Stakeholder Manager on 020 8618 4222.

**Full Name:**

**Home Address:**

**Email/s:**

**Phone Number/s:**

**Overview of Current Areas of Clinical Interest/s and Training:**

**Address of Current Clinical Practice:**

**Faculty Membership & Membership Number:**

**Overview of Any Previous Political/Public Affairs Interest/Experience:**

**Preferred Start Date in September/October 2025:**

**Any additional information you would like to share re: interest in the Scheme:**

**GDPR**

The Royal College of Psychiatrists requires your consent in order to process your personal data for the purposes of the Parliamentary Scholar Programme. The information that you provide on this form may be shared with internal colleagues at the Royal College of Psychiatrists as well as any relevant Third Party involved in the programme. If you are happy for your information to be processed in this way, please kindly check the box below.

**PRINT NAME:**

**Signature:**

**Date:**

**I consent for my personal data to be processed as described above**

You are able to withdraw your consent at any time by contacting **Peter Hand,** Email: [peter.hand@rcpsych.ac.uk](mailto:peter.hand@rcpsych.ac.uk)

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