RCP SAS doctor representative role description

The publication of the SAS strategy in 2022 marks an important development in the recognition and support for SAS physicians through the RCP. The SAS Regional Representative Network has been created to increase the active involvement of SAS doctors with the RCP and to ensure that their needs, views and interests are represented nationally to the RCP Council, boards, committees and working parties and locally to the RCP regional team. One of the key elements over the coming years will be for this network to deliver on the strategy, review progress and ultimately prepare for future versions to be published.

The success of the strategy relies on the excellent engagement of the members of the SAS Regional Representative Network. As such, the RCP wishes to set clear expectations as to the commitment required for the role.

As a regional SAS doctor representative, you are asked to:

1. Report to the RCP SAS lead, and through them to the registrar of the RCP on issues that affect SAS doctors such as development, recognition, autonomy, implementation of SAS strategy, SAS charter and the GMC regulations for CESR.

2. Maintain regular contact with the SAS colleagues in your region so that views can be shared and reported.

3. Encourage RCP fellows to consider SAS doctors for nomination to fellowship of the RCP, and promote self-nomination to SAS doctors.

4. Maintain regular contact with the RCP regional manager and RCP regional advisers, including collaborating and supporting events.

5. Attend the relevant RCP regional meetings.

6. Contribute as appropriate to SAS doctors’ projects of interest to the RCP. These may include areas related to:
   - CPD activities for SAS doctors
   - SAS doctor job plans
   - SAS doctor appraisal and revalidation
   - SAS doctor surveys
7 Improve the engagement of SAS doctors with the RCP.

8 Play an active role in recruiting new RCP members.

The success of the SAS Regional Representative Network relies on the engagement of its representatives. We ask that you ensure that you are able to attend all meetings and provide apologies where you are unable to attend.

**Appraisal**
All representatives will be appraised annually by the RCP SAS lead with continuation in role subject to satisfactory appraisal.

**Tenure**
We ask that you serve for an initial 3-year term. You must stand down if you cease to be a SAS doctor or subscribing RCP member.

**Remuneration**
The SAS regional representative post is not remunerated. Reasonable expenses will be reimbursed in accordance with RCP policy.