

BVA Council regional representative

Role description

Overall purpose

To further the achievement of BVA's mission of representing the veterinary profession and helping members fulfil their professional roles.

To ensure that BVA Council pursues its objectives and fulfils its primary role of:

- being the representative body of the members and representing the members' views on matters of veterinary policy;
- advising the Board on matters of veterinary policy;
- appointing four members as directors of the Board;
- approving new members of the Association (and removal) and recommending for election honorary members, honorary associates and life members; and
- recommending for election Council's preferred candidates for President and President-Elect.

Duties and activities

- Primary point of contact between BVA and the regions.
- Lead on regional email loop communication.
- Contributing actively to the role thereby enabling representation of your region.
- Attending a minimum of three of the four annual meetings of BVA Council.
- Contributing actively to the work of BVA Council outside of the meetings and communicating the views of your region on the BVA Council email loop.
- Communicating with territorial divisions

- Circulating papers to regional members prior to BVA Council meetings and ensuring that the consensus of the region is represented at BVA Council.
- Circulating the minutes of BVA Council to regional members.
- Safeguarding and promoting the good name and values of BVA.
- Promote BVA membership where appropriate.

In addition to the duties listed above, each representative should use any specific skills, knowledge or experience they may have to help BVA Council reach sound decisions.

Person specification

- Membership of BVA.
- Commitment to promoting and furthering the ideals of the BVA in particular and the profession in general.
- Interest in and some knowledge of veterinary politics.
- Willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to fulfil the specified duties and activities.
- Willingness to speak on behalf of the region being represented.
- Ability to work effectively as a member of a team.
- Comfortable with electronic communication.

Benefit

- Complimentary BVA membership for the duration of the role.