

BAHNO Newsletter Spring 2023

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Things are gearing-up for the BAHNO Annual Scientific meeting – at the Royal College of Physicians on Friday 19th May. [Registration is now open for this event](#) and the day will be “reassuringly familiar, but different”. We are delighted to be able to welcome the international speaker and broadcaster Dr Liz O’Riordan to present the Blair Hesketh Memorial Lecture. Dr Riordan is the award-winning co-author of “The complete guide to breast cancer: How to feel empowered and take control”. The theme of the meeting is **Decision making in head and neck cancer care** and there will be a lively debate with the motion: ***This house believes that ‘Clinical trials in Head and Neck do not serve our population’.***

Council is very much aware that the rising cost of living may deter some people from attending educational events – for this reason, registration fees have been held at 2022 levels: Consultants £125; Trainees £95; Affiliates £75. In addition, a number of free passes are available to members – please contact [Laura](#) in the secretariat for further details.

Website

If you have not yet logged on to the new Members’ Area, please do so! Not only will you be able to download invoices and receipts but you will also be able to view AGM minutes, etc. After many requests from members, payment for membership fees is now possible online – you may choose the method of payment that you prefer.

Members are encouraged to keep their contact details up-to-date and provide other information (specialty, gender, ethnicity) that will enable BAHNO to ensure compliance with equality and diversity aims.

Please note that members who are not up-to-date with their subscription will not be eligible for membership benefits.

Call for Nominations for ENT representative

BAHNO is extending the nomination period for the post of ENT representative on council. Although there were two applicants for the post, one applicant withdrew, citing the lack of diversity among the applicants. This applicant has served on council in the past and felt that on principle, they should lean out.

As the membership may be aware, BAHNO has worked hard over the last two years to bring in more diversity which is more representative of the population we serve. BAHNO council applauds this stance on principle and has responded by extending the nomination period. We would encourage all ENT members – who form the largest membership group – to consider applying for this position and engaging the members in a ballot. The nomination form is [available here](#).

*****The new closing date for nominations is Friday 17th March 2023*****

Nominees will be expected to provide a short statement of their intent.

The BAHNO EDI statement is [available here](#)

UKNFR Reports

A reminder that these are [available on the BAHNO website](#).

ACCIA 2023

Following changes to the ACCIA application process, BAHNO (as a Member Organisation (MO)) will no longer provide citations and rankings to a selected number of applicants.

This means that applicants will no longer be able to choose to request support from MOs such as BAHNO (previously known as National Nominating Organisations (NNOs)).

BAHNO will however still play an important role in supporting members across our specialty groups and areas of practice to apply for awards.

BAHNO will be providing an opportunity for members to seek direct guidance in the run up to submission of applications via a virtual guidance session on Monday 17th April (5-7pm). Members who are interested in joining this zoom

session are asked to register their interest with the BAHNO secretariat (Secretariat@BAHNO.ORG.UK).

Below are links to resources provided by the ACCIA Secretariat and we would encourage all members considering an application to review these. Included is an application checklist and Domain 2 (Leadership) examples.

- Recordings of our applicant and employer webinar (Q&A to be uploaded in due course) – <https://tinyurl.com/ACCIA2023webinars>
- Our printable resources (will shortly be updated with information relevant to the 2023 Awards Round) – [National Clinical Impact Awards 2022: resources for applicants and employers - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/114842/national-clinical-impact-awards-2022-resources-for-applicants-and-employers.pdf)
- Our 2023 guidance for applicants - [Applicants' guide: 2023 awards round - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/114842/national-clinical-impact-awards-2022-resources-for-applicants-and-employers.pdf)
- [ACCIA Application Portal](#) – members can register for the site in advance of the application window opening

Dates for the diary

There are details of conferences and courses relevant to BAHNO members on the [BAHNO website](#)

13 – 17 March 2023 [Liverpool Practical Microvascular Surgery Course](#)

22 March 2023 at 7pm [Personalised management of the NO neck for laryngeal and pharyngeal cancer](#) *Free virtual lecture*

28 March 2023 [Updates in Management of Thyroid Cancer Conference](#)

20- 21 April 2023 [15th Head and Neck Symposium: The pivotal role of image and image guidance](#)

16 – 19 October 2023 [Liverpool Head & Neck Centre - Advanced Head & Neck Reconstruction Course](#)

If you have an event you would like to advertise, please submit via the [online form](#).