



# Call for nominations for RCP president 2025

Fellows are invited to submit nominations for the role of president under the terms of Bye-law 10.2:

*To secure as far as possible that the President of the College shall at all times be, as required by the Charter of Henry VIII, a prudent person and one skilled in the science and practice of Physic, the President shall be elected from amongst those Fellows who have been Fellows of the College for at least ten years.*

**Nominations must be received on or before Monday 16 December 2024. Nominees must have been fellows of the RCP for at least 10 years by close of nominations.**

## Special general meeting of fellows for the election of the president 2025

This will be held on Monday 14 April 2025 as required by section 6 of the Medical Act 1860. The summons to fellows will be sent out at least 2 weeks before the special general meeting but online voting will open in early March 2025. Fellows who physically attend the special general meeting will have an option to vote in person as required by current legislation. Full details of the procedure will be included with the voting papers, which will be emailed to fellows. Only those fellows who have been nominated through this process will be eligible to stand for election. As in previous elections, the presidency is an annual office as required by statute, but the RCP Council recommends to fellows that the new president is elected with the expectation that their term of office will be 4 years.

The formal transfer of authority to the new president, following an induction period, will take place as soon as possible following election. The new president will serve until transfer of authority to their successor at the annual general meeting in September 2029.

## Nomination process

Each nomination for president must be nominated by three fellows for their name to appear on the ballot paper. Members of the RCP Board of Trustees and senior officers must not nominate any candidate for election other than themselves. The agreement of the nominee must have been obtained. The electronic signatures and details of fellows who support any nomination can be collected together on one nomination form, or separately on individual forms.

To receive confirmation that the nomination has been received, please email the signed (electronic signature or printed name accepted) nomination form to Simon Land, head of professional governance: [simon.land@rcp.ac.uk](mailto:simon.land@rcp.ac.uk).

Please use the email subject line: 'Nomination of president', and then the following wording: 'I wish to nominate [the name of the candidate], who will also be nominated by [the names of the two other proposers]. I confirm that the candidate is willing for their name to be circulated.'

Please ensure that your own name and those of other fellows making nominations are included in the message and that they are cc'd to the email. Simon will email in return to acknowledge the safe receipt of your nomination. Any queries concerning the election process should be sent to the same address.

The nomination form below must be completed and returned **no later than Monday 16 December 2024**.

**Dr Omar Mustafa**  
Registrar

# Nomination form for the office of president 2025

The RCP is all about our people – our members, our staff, our volunteers and leaders. We educate, influence and collaborate to improve health and healthcare for everyone and know we can only do this by being inclusive, encouraging and celebrating diverse perspectives. Welcoming into our community people who represent the 21st-century medical workforce and the diverse population of patients we serve is a priority for us.

Nominations must be received by the registrar on or before **16 December 2024** and the agreement of the nominee must have been obtained.

**Please write names in block capitals.**

I propose for the office of president:

**Name of candidate** \_\_\_\_\_

**Forename(s)** \_\_\_\_\_ **RCP code** \_\_\_\_\_

**Principal appointment, including place of work (for contact purposes)**

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**1** Name of proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

RCP code: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**2** Name of proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

RCP code: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**3** Name of proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

RCP code: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return the form electronically to:**

Simon Land, head of professional governance: **simon.land@rcp.ac.uk** using the email subject line **'Nomination of president'** to receive confirmation of receipt. All three nominating fellows should be included on the email.

Each nomination must be supported by the signatures of three fellows. Please note that printed names rather than actual signatures are acceptable. Nominees for president must have been a fellow for over 10 years by the end of the nomination period. All officers of the RCP are encouraged to be practising medical doctors and actively connected with, and credible to, the clinical community. They should hold a licence to practise.

No candidate shall canvass for votes directly or indirectly for membership, fellowship or any office, distinction, advancement or promotion in the RCP or in any faculty or joint faculty of the RCP except as may be expressly permitted by the Council.