

## Governing Board Elected Member Candidate Statement

The Candidate Statement, your photograph and names of your nominators will be published on the Cochrane Community website during the elections process, and the Candidate Statement and photograph will remain on the website against the names of new members for the duration of their terms on the Board. For this reason, this Candidate Statement document template must be used; and full addresses, email addresses and/or unencrypted e-signatures excluded.

Please submit this Elected Member Candidate Statement in Word format by the stated deadline. It should be shared beforehand with your two nominators.

Family name (surname):	<b>Gupta</b>
First name(s):	<b>Deepak Kumar</b>
Today's date:	<b>November 14, 2018</b>

### 1. How and when did you first become involved in Cochrane and what has been your subsequent contribution to Cochrane's work (maximum 200 words)?

Yes, I happened to complete a task of reviewing a Cochrane review draft protocol on "Treatment of dental complications in thalassaemia" in 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 in Cystic Fibrosis and Genetic Disorders Group.

Further, recently (October 2018) I completed a full review on above mentioned review protocol; i.e. Treatment of dental and orthodontic complications in thalassaemia.

### 2. What experience do you have serving as a member of a governing board, board of directors or similar? This might be within a non-for-profit or charitable organization, or a hospital or University. Please include the name(s) of the organization(s), the roles you played and other relevant information (maximum 200 words).

I have been a member of Board of Control and Board of Studies of my Institute i.e. Dr Harvansh Singh Judge Institute of Dental Sciences, Panjab University Chandigarh, India.

I am Heading my Orthodontic Department as a Professor and HOD at since more than 5 years (from 2013 till date) and started Post Graduation (Master Degree Course in Orthodontics) in 2015.

Previously, I headed Orthodontic Department from April 2010 to January 2012 at Gian Sagar Dental

College and Hospital (Affiliated to Baba Farid University of Health Sciences) Rajpura India. So in total I have headed Orthodontic Department in Dental Institute for almost seven years now.

Last year (July 2017) I conducted a Zonal Post Graduate Orientation Programme (CDE) of North India as an Organizing Secretary.

3. Acting as a Board member requires a collaborative approach to decision-making, setting aside personal opinions and group affiliations and acting in the best interests of the charity. Please describe how you would fulfil this obligation, using examples from previous committee or other work (maximum 200 words).

Yes, I have experience with regard to financial management. I have served as a treasure of Local branch of Indian Dental Association at Panchkula for 2 years. Presently, I am also working as a Treasure for my Resident welfare society since last 6 years.

I have been an active members of various committees of my institute and have always worked towards a common goal of organisation and never took decisions based on my personal choices and beliefs.

4. What do you think would make you an effective member of the Board (maximum 200 words)?

My ability of having knowledge of Diverse fields (Dentistry, Medicine, Pharmacy, Law, Finance,) and my administrative skill and Out of Box thinking approach can make me an effective member of Board.

5. What do you believe are the most important strategic challenges for Cochrane in 2019 (maximum 200 words)?

The Cochrane challenge is that it should be a benchmark in informing, unbiased, evidence based treatment protocols in almost every speciality and problem related to human health.

Another challenge would be to make Cochrane a known name in Health care decision making process for policy makers, patients and health care providers.

The organisation should try to achieve already laid objectives and then set new targets for its all around growth around the Globe by taking more key peoples on Cochrane Platform.

## Questions 6-12: Specific Skills

To function optimally the Governing Board requires a range of experiences, knowledge and expertise amongst its membership. We cannot expect any single Governing Board member to have all the necessary skills and experience. We are looking for diversity.

**We do not expect you to answer “yes” to more than one or two of these questions.**

If you do answer “yes”, please provide at least one example which best demonstrates your experience or expertise. You may wish to include:

- A description of the situation and the context
- What you did
- What skills and knowledge you deployed
- The outcome and your personal contribution

### **6. Do you have experience of Charity Governance(in any charitable organization around the world)?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

No

### **7. Do you have experience of Organizational Finance and Resource Management?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

Yes,

When in last year (July 2017) I conducted a Zonal Post Graduate Orientation (CDE) Programme of North India as an Organizing Secretary wherein we have orthodontic student delegates from whole of North India, there were apprehension about generating enough money from sponsorship, but through lot of negotiations and initiatives we could generate sufficient money to manage our programme.

Further, I have following experience with regard to financial management.

I have served as a treasurer of Indian Dental Association Panchkula, for 2 years wherein association collects money from members and it is spent on conducting Continuing Dental Education (CDE) Programme for its members

Presently, I am also working as a Treasurer for my Resident welfare Association since last 6 years and managed the association money in a way that every single penny was spent on serving the right cause of Association.

Further I have been core committee members in my resident welfare association since its inception.

**8. Do you have experience of People Management (often called ‘Human Resources’ in English) and Organizational Development?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

Yes

As a Head of my Department at my institute I have managed my co faculty colleagues, paramedical staff and 100 undergraduate students and 9-12 post graduate students for their day to day problems, mentoring and academic work , and started Post Graduation (MDS) Programme which need lot of Initiative. This starting of MDS needed lot of management for procurement of additional material through quotations and tendering process. I am amongst the senior faculties of my institute and involved in day to day management of the institute affairs.

**9. Do you have experience of Consumer and Patient involvement in Evidence Production and Health Policy?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

No

**10. Do you have experience of Advocating for Evidence?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

No

**11. Do you have experience of Widening Access, Participation, Reach and Impact of Research?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

No

**12. Do you have experience of Fundraising & Development?**

Yes or No? If Yes, please provide details and examples below (maximum 200 words).

Yes

We have been holding various programme in our institute by raising funds for corporate, dealers, merchants etc

**13. Is there anything else you would like to say in support of your nomination (maximum 200 words)?**

On a personal note I would like to say that I am extremely hardworking and unbiased person having ability to think out of Box, which can help infuse new thoughts in Cochrane Leadership.

Further I have been very loyal to all the institutions wherever I have worked. I have a unique ability of weighing everyone in a scale of natural justice rising above relationship, friendship, acquaintances etc.

**Declarations:**

To be eligible to stand for election, candidates must confirm the following by putting a ‘tick’ (✓) or their initials in the boxes below:

**I hereby confirm that I:**

1. Have accepted the <a href="#">Terms and Conditions of Cochrane Membership</a> and have been a Cochrane Member for at least 30 days prior to the close of voting in this election	✓
2. Have read the following guidance produced by the <a href="#">National Council for Voluntary Organisations</a> in the UK: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is a charity</li> <li>• What is a charity trustee</li> <li>• What trustees must do</li> <li>• How trustees look after the charity</li> </ul>	✓
3. Accept the <a href="#">Governing Board Charter</a>	✓
4. Accept and will adhere to the <a href="#">Code of Conduct for Trustees</a>	✓
5. Have completed the Cochrane ‘Declaration of Interest’ Statement (Annex 1 of this document)	✓
6. Have completed the ‘Trustee Eligibility Declaration’ required by the <a href="#">UK Charity Commission for all Trustees</a> (Annex 2 of this document)	✓

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>Dr Deepak Kumar Gupta</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>November 14, 2018</b>

## Annex 1: Cochrane Declaration of Interest Statement

Please answer the following questions:

<b>1. Financial interests</b>  <b>In the last three years, have you:</b>	<b>Yes/No (If yes, please provide details)</b>
a) Received research funding: any grant, contract or gift, commissioned research, or fellowship from Cochrane or a related organization (i.e. any organization related to health care or medical research) to conduct research?	Yes  Received Education Grant from World Federation of Orthodontist (WFO) to attend and present my research at 8 <sup>th</sup> International Orthodontic Congress at London. (In September 2015)
b) Had paid consultancies: any paid work, consulting fees (in cash or kind) from a related organization?	No
c) Received honoraria: one-time payments (in cash or kind) from a related organization?	No
d) Served as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or held a position of management with a related organization?	No
e) Possessed share-holdings, stock, stock options, equity with a related organization (excludes mutual funds or similar arrangements where the individual has no control over the selection of the shares)?	No
f) Received personal gifts from a related organization?	No
g) Had an outstanding loan with a related organization?	No
h) Received royalty payments from a related organization?	No
<b>2. Do you have any other competing interests that could pose a conflict of interest that would reasonably appear to be related to the primary interest?</b>	No

## Annex 2: Trustee Eligibility Declaration

As required by the [UK Charity Commission](#)

Please tick or initial in the boxes below to confirm the following:

### I declare that I:

Am willing to act as a trustee of The Cochrane Collaboration	✓
Understand Cochrane's purposes (objects) and rules set out in its <a href="#">Articles of Association</a>	✓
Am not prevented from acting as a trustee because I: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have an unspent conviction for one or more of the offences <a href="#">listed here</a></li> <li>• Have an Individual Voluntary Arrangement, debt relief order and/or a bankruptcy order</li> <li>• Have been removed as a trustee in England, Scotland or Wales (by the Charity Commission or Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator)</li> <li>• Have been removed from being in the management or control of any organization in Scotland (under relevant legislation)</li> <li>• Have been disqualified by the Charity Commission</li> <li>• Am a disqualified company director</li> <li>• Am a designated person for the purposes of anti-terrorism legislation</li> <li>• Am on the sex offenders register or equivalent in any country</li> <li>• Have been found in contempt of court for making (or causing to be made) a false statement</li> <li>• Have been found guilty of disobedience to an order or direction of the Charity Commission</li> </ul>	✓
Will provide true, complete and correct information to the Charity Commission if elected as a Board member	✓
Understand that it's an offence under section 60(1)(b) of the Charities Act 2011 to knowingly or recklessly provide false or misleading information	✓
Comply with my responsibilities as a trustee that are set out in the <a href="#">Charity Commission guidance 'The essential trustee (CC3)'</a>	✓