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I am interested in applying for the role of Managing Editor representative on the Cochrane Council, and I hereby submit my statement. I acknowledge that this role will involve attending several meetings per year, both remotely and in person.

This is an exciting time to be a Cochrane member. The new Editor in Chief is introducing lots of changes, and our Networks are gathering momentum. When the Council was established, I felt reassured that the ME community had a real place in Cochrane's strategic decision-making, especially since a lot of planned future changes will directly affect CRGs.

In 2012, I joined the PaPaS group as the full-time Managing Editor. I have co-ordinated a lot of new developments, such as implementation of MECIR, embracing Archie as our primary editorial management tool, and putting various new policies and procedures into action. I was the Co-Convenor of the Editorial Resources Committee, and I enjoy participating in innovations and pilot projects, for example I am taking part in the Knowledge Translation Mentor scheme as a mentor.

As an ME with over 7 years of Cochrane experience, I believe I have useful knowledge and skills for this role. I am friendly, professional, and organised; I am enthusiastic with a positive outlook, and wholeheartedly dedicated to my commitments. I strive to be a good communicator, and I respect the diversity of opinion. I would be honoured to be one of the ME members of the Council, to advocate for your needs and make sure your voice is heard.