

Subcommittees – Remit

Communications

- To make BNOS more visible
 - To oversee update and further development of the website, social media activities, etc.
 - To increase the public relations activities of the society.
- To communicate between BNOS and other professional bodies (public, political, health service and scientific communities, societies and Royal Colleges).
- To communicate with brain tumour patient and caregiver advocacy organisations.
- To communicate with annual meeting event organiser and LOC (provide input into meeting venue selection, planning and organising, meeting finances, etc.).
- Promoting communications between clinical and scientific researchers at all levels by fostering research networking environments for scientific and professional sub groups at BNOS and associated conferences.
- To promote communication between clinical and scientific researchers at all levels by fostering local and international research / networking environments for scientific and professional subgroups at BNOS and associated conferences.
- To identify opportunities and ideas to increase membership numbers.

Current members:

- Paul Grundy (Chair)
- Sebastian Brandner
- Matthew Grech-Sollars
- James Livermore
- Kathy Oliver

Research

- To lead on scientific activities of the society, i.e. selection of scientific themes at the annual meeting, review abstracts and applications for bursaries for the annual meeting, etc.
- To provide a liaison with other scientific organisations e.g. NCRI, CRUK, BNA, etc. including planning and organising BNOS representation at appropriate events, sponsored symposia etc.

- Promoting a greater stability of career structure, researcher retention and progression in related clinical and scientific fields, with a focus on early career scientists, by identifying and advising on the use of funding for such purposes.
- Play an active role in scoping, nominating and reviewing applications for BNOS scientific prizes.
- Review of scientific relevant material for BNOS website.

Current members:

- Simona Parrinello (Chair)
- Lucy Brooks
- Manav Pathania
- Steve Pollard
- Ruman Rahman

Clinical

- Give opinion on behalf of BNOS on clinically relevant issues, i.e. commenting on national guidelines, proposed initiatives, novel treatments or clinical trial data.
- Support BNOS meetings by inputting to clinical components of meetings through national/local organizing committee.
- Keeping BNOS aware of current/horizon scanning issues in the clinical arena.
- To provide a liaison with other clinical organisations e.g. NCRI CSG.
- Review of clinically relevant material for BNOS website.

Current members:

- Susan Short (Chair)
- Robert Corns
- Harpreet Hyare
- Kathreena Kurian
- Matt Williams

Process

Potential members (max. 6 people) will be contacted by the subcommittee chairs and informed of remit and responsibilities of subcommittee membership.

Multi-disciplinary input will be prioritized (for example for the clinical committee: neurosurgery, oncology, radiology, pathology representatives in membership).

Subcommittee members need not be BNOS members on appointment but will be familiar with the society and aware of its aims and objectives and will be encouraged to join the society.

Membership length to be agreed with the chair.

The majority of tasks will be conducted by email, co-ordinated by sub-committee chair as requested by Council.

Requests for input may be adhoc and occasionally associated with short deadlines.

A minimum of 3 responses from committee members will constitute a response on behalf of the subcommittee.

Chairs of the subcommittees are responsible for collating comments, designing proposals if appropriate, which will then be reviewed by BNOS Council prior to release/implementation.

Conflict of interests

Members will be asked to declare conflicts of interest for each review request.

Relationship to BNOS

BNOS Council will be ultimately responsible for committee activity.

Actions will be reported (by subcommittee chair) and monitored at Council Meetings.