

## Programme Committee (Responsible Trustee: Vice President for Education - Dr Shouvik Haldar, and Chair - Professor Andrew Clark)

The British Cardiovascular Society (BCS) is a membership organisation with charitable status. The BCS is the voice for all those working in the fields of cardiovascular care and research in the UK; we aim to represent and support both the professionals who work in cardiology and the patients for whom we want to encourage the best possible treatment. Our mission includes enhancing and maintaining the highest standards in training, education and research for the benefit of patients and to be the primary source of professional advice and advocacy in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of cardiovascular disease.

The Programme Committee is responsible for developing the programme for the British Cardiovascular Society flagship educational event - the Annual Conference, ensuring that it delivers the content and format as agreed by the Board of Trustees.

Our ambition is for the BCS Annual Conference to be the 'go to' cardiology conference for health professionals in the sector. As such, we continuously strive to make it an attractive event which offers thought-provoking and innovative educational content and learning and networking opportunities for health professionals working in cardiology.

Members of the Programme Committee are expected to attend Committee meetings, actively engage in developing sections of the programme, and may be asked to lead on the delivery of sections of the programme before and during the Conference. The Programme Committee meets 8-9 times per year (minimum 75% attendance required), via Teams (with occasional face to face meetings when budgets and circumstances permit).

Committee members who do not actively engage may be demitted to allow more interested candidates to take their place.

Elected members serve a term of three years.

Committee members report to: Chair of Programme Committee.

Chair reports to: VP for Education

VP Education reports to: Operational Executive Committee (operational) and Board of Trustees (sets and approves strategy)

Eligibility for standing: In order to stand for elected posts on the BCS Programme Committee, applicants must be Ordinary or Affiliate Members of the BCS.