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2020 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: MHV BOARD VACANCIES

Introduction

In 2018, the Board and Members of Mental Health Victoria's predecessor, Psychiatric Disability Services of Victoria Inc. agreed to a suite of major reforms including the adoption of a new name (Mental Health Victoria), transition to a company limited by guarantee, and the adoption of a new constitution.

A key feature of the new constitution is the phased transition from a representational style board to a skills and experience based board. The final phase of the transition to a skills based board will be the election of up to three directors in November 2020.

Board skills, experience and diversity needs

MHV's Nominations & Remuneration Committee ('the Committee') has assessed the current and likely future skills, experience and diversity needs of the Board and determined that the organisation would benefit from the appointment of experienced directors with substantial skills and experience in the following areas:

- **Community-based mental healthcare**
- **Hospital-based mental healthcare**
- **Experience in implementing large-scale health or other major policy reforms**
- **Fundraising and business acumen**

In addition to the skills and experience outlined above, the Committee encourages nominations from candidates with diverse backgrounds, including but not limited to: Lived experience (consumer, carer and family member); Age (especially younger directors); Gender; Geography (especially directors residing in regional Victoria); and members of the LGBTIQ+, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander, and culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities.

Process

The process will involve:

- lodgement of a Nomination Form (attached) by Friday 07 August 2020;
- Committee review, shortlisting and interview on or around Friday 21 August 2020; and
- a ballot which will close on Friday 16 October 2020.

A summary of the major steps is provided in the table below:

Schedule:	Milestone
Friday 10 July	Nominations open.
Friday 07 August	Nominations close.
Friday 21 August	Candidate interviews.
Fri 11 September	Electronic ballot opens.
Fri 16 October	Electronic ballot closes at 17:00.
Mon 19 October	Candidates notified of results of the ballot.
Tue 20 October	Notice to Members.
Fri 20 November	New director induction program.
Thu 26 November	New directors begin their terms of office at the close of the AGM.
Ties 08 December	First Board meeting for new directors.

Next Steps

Please fill in the attached Nominations Form and return it with a short CV to the Company Secretary via email marked at a.clelland@mhvic.org.au by **17:00 on Friday 07 August 2020.** Nominations received after this date and time will not be considered.

Please use the following title in your email header: **Confidential – Board Nomination.**

Further information

If you have any questions, please do hesitate to contact the Company Secretary, Mr Angus Clelland via email: a.clelland@mhvic.org.au or via telephone on (03) 9519 7000.

Please note that all nominations will be handled in the strictest confidence in accordance with our Privacy Policy.