

Cancer Council Tasmania

Volunteer Position Description

Position Title:	Scientific and Research Committee - Community Representative
Location:	Tasmania (Online/Remote)
Approx Contribution:	4 x 1 - hour meetings annually, plus out-of-session activities Approximate reading time 1-2 hours per meeting
Status:	Voluntary
Term:	3 years

Our Organisation

CCT is a charity working to minimise the incidence and impact of cancer on all Tasmanians through advocacy, raising awareness of cancer prevention and offering support and information for anyone affected by the disease.

CCT's vision is for a cancer-free future. Our mission is to minimise the incidence and impact of cancer on all Tasmanians. The values underpinning our work are; *generosity, integrity, collaboration, courage and innovation.*

Our Work Environment

CCT and Quit Tasmania are smoke-free work environments.

CCT and Quit Tasmania are committed to providing a healthy, supported, safe work environment free from harassment and discrimination.

SARC Overview

SARC is a sub-committee of the Cancer Council Tasmania board, which provides expert advice and guidance to the Board on research strategy, research performance and on funding allocation. The committee consists of up to 12 members from the Scientific, Medical and Research communities in Tasmania, with the addition of a consumer representative. The consumer representative position is critical in ensuring a consumer perspective in decision-making.

SARC Objectives

- Provide advice to CCT Board on such matters as fall within its remit
 - Regularly review CCT's research plan
 - Develop, implement, monitor and review policies, guidelines and procedures for establishing and strengthening CCT's key research objectives.
 - Recommend to the Board the allocation of research grants, scholarships and clinical trials.
 - Review progress and final reports for funded grants, scholarships and clinical trials.
 - Further the promotion and development of CCT research activities to provide recommendations to the Board when substantial changes in policy or procedures is required
 - Review outcomes of funded research activities to provide recommendations to the Board when substantial changes in policy or procedures are required.
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Role Responsibilities

The primary responsibilities are:

1. Actively liaise and collaborate with other SARC members.
 2. Enhance the role of SARC in the community.
 3. Contribute and add value to the SARC's research objectives in relation to health care and community outcomes.
 4. To contribute to deciding how CCT's research funds will be expended.
 5. Provide a community perspective on research priorities.
 6. To be able to focus strategically in the interests of achieving research outcomes.
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Role Requirements

- A commitment to embracing CCT's Values and Mission
- To be able to show independence of thought
- A willingness to undertake consumer representative training
- Direct or indirect lived experience of the impact of cancer
- Demonstrated interest in cancer research
- A willingness and ability to articulate and communicate constructively