Call for NESTcc Governing Committee Member Nominations

Background

In 2016, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) awarded a grant to establish [The National Evaluation System for health Technology Coordinating Center (NESTcc)](https://www.nestcc.org) to the Medical Device Innovation Consortium (MDIC). NESTcc’s mission is to accelerate the development and translation of new and safe health technologies, leveraging Real-World Evidence (RWE) and innovative research.

The inaugural [NESTcc Governing Committee](https://www.nestcc.org) was formed in July 2017. The NESTcc Governing Committee is comprised of key stakeholders from across the medical device ecosystem who are committed to the success of NESTcc and charged with inaugurating a Coordinating Center that is inclusive, patient-focused, and anchored in accountability and transparency. For additional information about the Governing Committee and NESTcc, please review the [NESTcc Charter](https://www.nestcc.org).

NESTcc as a Collaborative Community

In September 2019, NESTcc was named one of the first Collaborative Communities with participation by the FDA’s Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH). The purpose of the collaborative community is to bring together medical device stakeholders in a continuing forum of private- and public-sector members, including FDA, to achieve common outcomes, solve shared challenges, and leverage collective opportunities.

In order to be designated as a Collaborative Community, NESTcc amended its charter to align with the FDA’s [Collaborative Communities Toolkit](https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/collaborative-communities-toolkit). One of the most important changes made was that the NESTcc Governing Committee members represent a diverse range of stakeholders and are responsible for sharing the perspectives of their larger stakeholder communities and not just their own viewpoints. This structure helps ensure diverse and distributed leadership of NESTcc.

Intent of Call For Nominations

NESTcc is seeking nominations for additional Governing Committee members. Currently, the NESTcc Governing Committee is made up of diverse stakeholders, including:

- Industry
- Patient Organizations
- Health Systems
- Clinicians
- Payers
- Regulators

The call for nominations is open to all stakeholder groups. The NESTcc Governing Committee will select up to six (6) members who represent current stakeholder groups and/or new stakeholders that would
provide important insights and perspectives for the future of NESTcc. The Governing Committee is particularly interested in expanding or adding new representation from the patient organization, health system, and policy stakeholder groups.

**Key Dates**

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**Criteria**

*Required criteria for each member:*
- Executive leader or member of the board of directors for a payer, health care system, medical product manufacturer, patient organization, consumer organization, organization with significant competencies in IT or digital health development, health policy organization, or a person who is a health care professional
- Several years of relevant experience (1) within the medical device ecosystem or (2) focused on diseases/conditions where medical devices play an important role in diagnosis, treatment, and/or monitoring
- Leading expert in relevant field (based on position/title, publications, or other experience)
- Experience with or appreciation for the use of Real-World Evidence (RWE)
- Ability to commit to Governing Committee responsibilities
- Sufficient time to dedicate to the role

*Desired attributes for each member:*
- Broad understanding and perspective on the policy, governance, and technology implications of NESTcc initiatives
- Experience as a leader working within a multi-disciplinary environment
- Trust within his or her professional community to interface with key thought leaders and subject matter experts
- Expertise to represent and secure buy-in from his or her broad stakeholder group
- Ability to operate beyond his or her own organizational role to provide the leadership and vision required to realize the opportunity RWE can deliver to benefit the ecosystem

**Nomination Submission and Selection Process**

Nominations must include 1) the completed nomination form and 2) the nominee’s CV or resume. These nomination materials must be submitted by email to nestcc@mdic.org by 5:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, March 19, 2020.

Nominations that meet the criteria listed above will be presented to the NESTcc Executive Committee for review and selection. The Executive Committee will make a recommendation, which will be presented to
the full Governing Committee for approval. Finally, the recommendation will be brought to the MDIC Board for approval.

**Contact**

Please contact nestcc@mdic.org with any questions.