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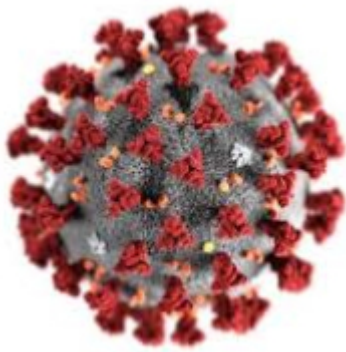
April 2020



This month, President Stephen O'Connor talks about:

- Virtual MPEC 2020
- Covid-19 and Communities of Interest

[President's Blog](#)



New IPeM webpage with advice on Covid-19

A NEW webpage has been launched by IPeM giving a wealth of advice, guidance and information on the fight against coronavirus.

The page contains information developed by IPeM members and also from the Department of Health & Social Care, the NHS and other bodies, including the Care Quality Commission and the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency.

It also hosts free webinars and articles from the IAEA, EFOMP, IOMP and others on the response to Covid-19.

[Covid-19 Webpage](#)

New Community of Interest set up in response to Covid-19 crisis



A new Covid 19 Cross Speciality Community of Interest has been created to share best practice during the crisis. The CoIs have also been opened up to non-members and are proving to be an invaluable way to share information. Non-members should email office@ipem.ac.uk to be added to communities they are interested in.

Communities of Interest



Joint Shared Temporary Register for healthcare science practitioners

A Shared Temporary Register for final year healthcare science students has been set up by IPEM, the Academy for Healthcare Science and the Registration Council for Clinical Physiologists. This will allow those students in the UK who meet the agreed criteria to practice as registered professionals in response to the Covid-19 crisis.

Read More Here

Coronavirus: Can the Institute of Physics Benevolent Fund Help You?

As many of you will be aware, the Benevolent Fund is here to help members of the Institute of Physics and the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine at unexpected times of need. It is likely that some members will have been affected recently by the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. If so, we may be able to provide support. For example, for those whose normal income has been significantly reduced we may be able to provide a loan or grant to help with day-to-day expenses

We may additionally be able to provide support to cover carer's expenses if you or a member of your family has been badly affected.

Please get in touch with us to begin a conversation – we are open and willing to discuss ways of helping you or your loved ones. All applications are treated in the strictest confidence.

In the first instance, please send an email to benfund@iop.org to let us know.



Call goes out to RCT members to help during Covid-19 crisis

The RCT is aware that registrants who have recently left the Register, due to retirement or a change of career, may now wish to volunteer to help the NHS. The RCT would welcome anyone who has left the Register since May 2018, wishing to return, to contact the RCT on membership@ipem.ac.uk to re-register. There will be no fee charged for temporary registration in 2020 for those returning from retirement or a career change.



Submitting IPEM expenses

Following the IPEM office closure due to Covid-19, if you have outstanding expense claims from representing IPEM or attending meetings organised by the Institute then, when you are ready to claim, please scan them, together with receipts, and email them to finance@ipem.ac.uk

Latest ebooks published by IPEM

Two new ebooks in the IPEM/IOPP series have been published. One of them, Leadership and Challenges in Medical Physics: A Strategic and Robust Approach, has been written by IPEM



Fellow Professor Carmel Caruana, of the Medical Physics Department at the University of Malta.

[More Here](#)



UKAS launch new service to support MPACE

A new service to support those services looking for accreditation via the UKAS MPACE scheme, which is supported by IPEM, has been launched.

[More Here](#)



Opportunities with IPEM

A wide range of development opportunities are available within IPEM from September 2020 which could potentially be of real benefit to help you further your career aspirations and also contribute to the important work of the Institute. Current vacancies include, Member Trustee, Vice Presidents, and member of the Engineering Policy and Standards Panel. The deadline to apply is **5 June**.

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IPEM innovation grants

Grants of up to £10,000 are available to buy equipment or services to facilitate innovation and research projects. The grants are open to Full Members and Fellows and the closing date to apply is **21 September**.

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Honours nominations

Our profession is one which enables us to change people's lives and there are a number of our members who surely deserve this recognition. Send names for the Honours Nomination Advisory Committee to consider to marie@ipem.ac.uk marked Confidential. The nominee must not be informed about the nomination at any stage.



Prizes and awards 2020

Stop Press! The deadline to apply or nominate someone for IPEM's various prizes and awards, including the Gold Medals, early career prizes, the Roy Ellis Patient Benefit award, and the Spiers' Prize for Outreach, has been extended until **1 June**.

[Apply Here](#)



- [International Medical Physics Week webinars](#)
- [ECMP 2020 postponed](#)
- [RAE response to Covid-19](#)
- [IAEA International Conference on Advances in Radiation Oncology 2021](#)
- [Medical Physics International](#)
- [QE Prize for Engineering](#)



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