Advisory Working Group Draft Terms of Reference

Membership of the Advisory Working Group is by invitation of the National Guardian. Members will be drawn from a range of backgrounds and interests to ensure experience, knowledge and expertise on issues associated with speaking up, and the complexities of implementing change in the NHS.

The Advisory Working Group will provide advice to the National Guardian on:

- the broad context of speaking up and strategic opportunities and risks
- stakeholder perceptions and needs
- asserting influence across the health sector and provider organisations, professional bodies and other stakeholders
- recognising the voice of people who speak up
- developing and disseminating best practice on speaking up

Members of the Advisory Working Group are expected to:

- attend quarterly meetings and provide other ad-hoc advice and support to the National Guardian
- act as advocates to encourage a Freedom To Speak Up culture in the NHS
- participate in task and finish groups
- Membership will be for a 12-month period, in the first instance.