

## **Board Selection Criteria 2011**

The Board of Governance of Autism Victoria comprises nine members each of whom is elected on the basis of a set of skills deemed important by the Board. These skills requirements will change as the requirements of the organisation change. The specific skills and qualifications being sought this year are as set out in section A below. General skills and experience requirements are set out in section B.

Note also that Board members are elected on a three year rotational basis, and in line with the rules, three positions are subject to election each year. The three incumbent Board members whose positions are open for re-election this year have renominated.

### **A. Specific Skills and Qualifications**

The Board invites nominations from suitably qualified and interested members to nominate for the following skills based positions:

#### **1. Qualified Lawyer**

The Board seeks nominations from members with a strong background, knowledge and experience in legal matters. Preference will be given to a person who currently holds a licence to practice law in Victoria and who can provide high level legal advice to the Board.

#### **2. Education and ASD**

The Board seeks nominations from members who have a strong knowledge base of the role the education system plays in the lives of children and adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders. Preference will be given to nominees who have a teaching qualification and experience of teaching a child/children with Autism Spectrum Disorders

#### **3. Policy and Governance**

The Board seeks nominations from members who have a depth of experience in the development of policy and social research coupled with experience in governance in the Not-for-Profit sector at Board level.

### **B. General Skills and Experience**

Apart from the specific requirements for each position as detailed in section A, all candidates must also demonstrate the following general skills and experience:

1. Broad understanding of the role of a Board of Governance.
2. Understanding of the impact of Autism Spectrum Disorder on families and individuals.

### **Nomination Process**

If you wish to nominate for a Board position please complete the nomination form and return it to the address given by the date specified on the form.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about the process or the information given here, please contact Murray Dawson-Smith, CEO, on 03 9657 1602.