

NUCANA PLC

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR NOMINATING AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE CHARTER

The following terms of reference (which in the United States are known as the "charter") were proposed and adopted by a resolution of the Board on 14th September, 2017.

I. <u>PURPOSE</u>

The Nominating and Governance Committee (the "Committee") is appointed by the Board of Directors (the "Board") of **NuCana plc** the ("Corporation"): (1) to assist the Board by identifying qualified candidates for director, and to recommend to the Board the director nominees for the next annual meeting of shareholders; (2) to lead the Board in its annual review of the Board's performance; (3) to recommend to the Board director nominees for each Board committee; and (4) develop and recommend to the Board corporate governance guidelines applicable to the Corporation.

II. <u>MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEDURES</u>

A. <u>Membership and Appointment</u>

To assist in carrying out its duties, the Committee shall have sole authority to retain and terminate any search firm to be used to identify candidates to serve as a director, including sole authority to approve the search firm's fees and other retention terms. In addition, the Committee shall have authority to obtain advice and assistance from internal or external legal, accounting or other advisors.

The Committee shall be comprised of not fewer than two members of the Board, as shall be determined from time to time by the Board. The members of the Committee shall be elected by the Board at the annual organizational meeting of the Board and shall hold office until their resignation or removal or until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified.

A majority of the members of the Committee shall be independent directors.

B. <u>Removal</u>

The entire Committee or any individual Committee member may be removed without cause by the affirmative vote of a majority of the Board. Any Committee member may resign effective upon giving oral or written notice to the Chairman of the Board, the Secretary of the Corporation, or the Board (unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of such resignation). The Board may elect a successor to assume the available position on the Committee when the resignation becomes effective.

C. Chairperson

A chairperson of the Committee (the "Chairperson") may be designated by the Board. In the absence of such designation, the members of the Committee may designate the Chairperson by majority vote of the full Committee membership. The Chairperson shall determine the agenda for and the length of meetings and shall have unlimited access to management and to information relating to the Committee's purposes. The Chairperson shall establish such other rules as may from time to time be necessary and proper for the conduct of the business of the Committee.

D. <u>Meetings, Minutes and Reporting</u>

The Committee shall meet at least two times per year, or more frequently as circumstances dictate. All Committee members are expected to attend each meeting, in person or via tele- or video-conference.

The Committee shall keep minutes of the proceedings of the Committee. In addition to the specific matters set forth herein requiring reports by the Committee to the full Board, the Committee shall report such other significant matters as it deems necessary concerning its activities to the full Board. The Committee may appoint a Secretary whose duties and responsibilities shall be to keep records of the proceedings of the Committee for the purposes of reporting Committee activities to the Board and to perform all other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him or her by the Committee, or otherwise at the direction of a Committee member. The Secretary need not be a member of the Committee or a director and shall have no membership or voting rights by virtue of the position.

E. <u>Delegation</u>

The Committee may, by resolution passed by a majority of the Committee members, designate one or more subcommittees, each subcommittee to consist of one or more members of the Committee. Any such subcommittee, to the extent provided in the resolutions of the Committee and to the extent not limited by applicable law, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Committee. Each subcommittee shall have such name as may be determined from time to time by resolution adopted by the Committee. Each subcommittee shall keep regular minutes of its meetings and report the same to the Committee or the Board when required.

F. <u>Authority to Retain Advisors</u>

In the course of its duties, the Committee shall have the authority, at the Corporation's expense and without needing to seek approval for the retention of such advisors or consultants from the Board, to retain and terminate consultants (including search firms to be used to identify candidates to serve as directors), legal counsel, or other advisors, as the Committee deems advisable, including the sole authority to approve any such advisors' fees and other retention terms.

III. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The following shall be recurring duties and responsibilities of the Committee in carrying out its purposes. These duties and responsibilities are set forth below as a guide to the Committee, with the understanding that the Committee may alter or supplement them as appropriate under the circumstances, to the extent permitted by applicable law.

- 1. Evaluate the current composition, organization and governance of the Board and its committees, and make recommendations to the Board for approval.
- 2. Annually review for each director and nominee, the particular experience, qualifications, attributes or skills that contribute to the Board's conclusion that the person should serve or continue to serve as a director for the Corporation, as well as how the directors' skills and background enable them to function well together as a Board.
- 3. Determine desired Board member skills and attributes and conduct searches for prospective directors whose skills and attributes reflect those desired. Evaluate and propose nominees for election to the Board. Each nominee will be considered both on his or her individual merits and in relation to existing or other potential members of the Board, with a view to establishing a well-rounded, diverse, knowledgeable, and experienced Board.
- 4. Administer the annual Board performance evaluation process, including conducting surveys of director observations, suggestions and preferences.
- 5. Evaluate and make recommendations to the Board concerning the appointment of directors to Board committees, the selection of Board committee chairs, and proposal of the slate of directors for election to the Board.
- 6. As necessary in the Committee's judgment from time to time, retain and compensate third party search firms to assist in identifying or evaluating potential nominees to the Board.
- 7. Evaluate and recommend termination of membership of individual directors in accordance with the Board's governance principles, for cause or for other appropriate reasons.

- 8. Oversee the process of succession planning for the Chief Executive Officer and, as warranted, other senior officers of the Corporation.
- 9. Develop, adopt and oversee the implementation of a Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for all directors, executive officers and employees of the Corporation.
- 10. Review and maintain oversight of matters relating to the independence of Board and committee members, keeping in mind the independence standards of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 11. Oversee and assess the effectiveness of the relationship between the Board and Corporation management.
- 12. Form and delegate authority to subcommittees when appropriate, each subcommittee to consist of one or more members of the Committee. Any such subcommittee, to the extent provided in the resolutions of the Committee and to the extent not limited by applicable law, shall have and may exercise all the powers and authority of the Committee.
- 13. Make regular reports to the Board concerning its activities.
- 14. Annually review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter and the appendices hereto and recommend any proposed changes to the Board for approval.
- 15. Annually evaluate its own performance.
- 16. Maintain appropriate records regarding its process of identifying and evaluating candidates for election to the Board.
- 17. Fulfill such other duties and responsibilities as may be assigned to the Committee, from time to time, by the Board and/or the Chairman of the Board.