**Could you help a small cancer charity to make a real difference through research?**

The Childhood Eye Cancer Trust is the only UK charity solely dedicated to helping families and individuals affected by retinoblastoma (Rb), a rare form of eye cancer found in babies and young children. We have three strategic goals: to provide lifelong support to all those affected by retinoblastoma; to raise awareness to aid early diagnosis; and to fund research into prevention and treatment, thereby improving the future experience of anyone affected by retinoblastoma.

Our research programme is guided by our Scientific Advisory Committee (a group of experts from fields related to retinoblastoma, as well as three lay members), who volunteer their time to help us achieve our goal of funding [quality, world-class research](https://chect.org.uk/research) which will make a difference to families and individuals affected by retinoblastoma.

We are currently looking for an individual, who has experience in research to take over as Chair of the SAC. Due to the broad range of studies funded by CHECT this research experience could be in clinical research, laboratory science or applied health research.

Commitments include:

* Chairing two 2-hour annual meetings of the Scientific Advisory Committee (currently via Zoom)
* Providing updates to the Board of Trustees (can be virtual, six times a year)
* Occasional additional calls with the CEO and Info & Research Manager at CHECT
* Liaising with the CEO and Info & Research Manager at CHECT re the charity’s research programme
* Leading the SAC to review applications to the annual grant-making process and make funding recommendations to the Board of Trustees
* Leading the SAC to monitor ongoing progress of live grants.

The role is supported by CHECT’s Info & Research Manager who carries out the administration of the SAC and of the research grants. It is an unpaid role.

The Chair will ideally serve two terms of three years with the charity. To express your interest in the role please send your CV with an email detailing your interest in the role to [petra.maxwell@chect.org.uk](mailto:petra.maxwell@chect.org.uk) by 18th March 2022.