

Do you have an eye condition or are blind or vision impaired?

Are you interested in vision research?

# If so, you can help us shape the future of scientific research into eye disease!

Fight for Sight funds scientific research that advances the understanding, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of eye disease through our grant schemes. Every year we receive many more applications we’re able to fund. We are seeking people to help our panel of scientific experts to recommend which projects we should support.

Your unique experience will help shape research which could lead to new discoveries, treatments and earlier detection of eye conditions. This will ensure that the research we fund is responding to unmet need and will benefit people living with eye disease or vision impairment.

**What’s Involved?**

As a lived experience panel member, you will ensure that the research we fund is relevant to the needs of people living with vision impairment:

* Reviewing and providing feedback on the merits of research proposals.
* Sharing your views alongside scientific and clinical experts at our virtual Research Grants Assessment Panel

**Who can apply?**

We want to ensure that our Panel is inclusive of all UK backgrounds and communities. We welcome applications from:

* People living with vision impairment or eye conditions.
* People with conditions which mean that they are at risk of vision loss.
* People who have well managed eye condition that has minimal impact on functional vision.
* Carers of someone affected by vision impairment.

You don’t need to be a scientist or researcher — your experience is your expertise and guidance, and support will be provided.

**How much time will I need to commit?**

Panel meetings will take place online, once per year (February). You will need to review around 3 applications ahead of the meeting and guidance and support will be provided on how to assess them. You will receive reimbursement for your time.

**How do I apply?**

Please complete our short [questionnaire](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=pE8IdzH7-kiPcc8gtfKCTqhP3HDkxSlJpXFwohu-tVBUMFU2V09DOFU2QzlaUVRMWklRMzBXRzkzMy4u) to tell us a little about yourself.