

Application to join the Emergency Medicine Trainees' Association (EMTA)

Research Committee Representative

Job Description

The Research Committee is an active central committee of RCEM whose remit includes increasing research capacity and infrastructure, administering the RCEM research grants and prizes, and contributing to the content and delivery of RCEM Conferences and study days. Issues relevant to academic training are also within the remit of the Research Committee.

The EMTA representative to the committee is in a position to contribute and ensure that the trainee voice is heard in all aspects of its work.

As a trainee representative you will provide insight into the trainee perspective on matters arising, maintain vigilance for policy which may have adverse outcomes to trainees generally or minority trainee sub-groups (e.g. LTFT, dual trained, protected characteristics) and advocate for changes which can improve the quality and equitability of training delivery in the UK. Primarily you should be able to give input from trainees collectively, and then from your own perspective. The candidate would also be expected to summarise discussions and communicate to the EMTA Committee, regional representatives and wider cohort of trainees.

The appointed applicant will represent EMTA at the Research Committee, which meets four times each year. These meetings alternate face-to-face and via e-conferencing (COVID permitting). RCEM will pay expenses for you to attend the face-to-face meetings, though even these can be attended via video conferencing.

The successful applicant would hold additional responsibilities within EMTA including attendance at three EMTA committees meetings per year and to offer assistance in other matters pertaining to EMTA activity, such as the annual conference, and trainee representation. There is at least one meeting in person and others via a Zoom. The next face-to-face meeting is in June/July 2024.

The candidate would be expected to abide by the EMTA and RCEM Codes of Conduct, including the requirement to maintain regular communication with the EMTA Committee and be responsive to requests and feedback. Additional roles and responsibilities to best utilise

areas of the applicant's interest will be discussed on an individual basis with successful applicants.

The work commitment would be expected to average out to approximately 1-2 hours per week. As per RCEM Guidance, departments would be expected to support formal commitments via Professional Leave. The post is honorary. Reasonable expenses for travel and subsistence will be payable in accordance with College policy.

Person Specification

- The applicant must be a UK Emergency Medicine Trainee, currently holding a Dean's Reference Number (for ACCS-EM trainees) or National Training Number (for run-through or HSTs).
- The applicant may presently be in training or Out of Programme.
- The candidate will need to be able to demonstrate an ability to deliver professionally and enthusiastically in their role, to meet deadlines and to communicate effectively at all times.
- We understand that the role of trainee representation can, at times, be onerous on an already stretched workload. We would request candidates be realistic about their abilities to take on any additional responsibility at present whilst warmly welcoming any of those who feel motivated by improving EM training to join us.
- Trainee representation experience would be advantageous but not essential.
- The current application is for an 18 month term to be reconsidered for a second term if remaining eligible.

Application

Application is by written personal statement not exceeding 600 words. We would ask candidates to pay particular attention to the requirements, expectations and desirable characteristics expressed within this advert and take effort to highlight previous or current experience relevant to these. We would please ask candidates to clearly state their grade, date of commencement of sub-specialty training and expected CCT date and, if known, their career plans over the next 24 months. Please kindly attach a CV.

Applications to: emta.committee@gmail.com

Closing date: 29th March 2024

Thank you very much in advance for your application,

Kuldeep Kaur Secretary, Emergency Medicine Trainees' Association (EMTA)