

# Application to join the Emergency Medicine Trainees' Association (EMTA) Paediatric Emergency Medicine Intercollegiate Speciality Advisory Committee (PEMISAC) Representative

## Background

The Paediatric Emergency Medicine Intercollegiate Specialty Advisory Committee (PEMISAC) is an intercollegiate body formed between the Royal College of Emergency Medicine (RCEM) and the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH) which oversees the delivery of Paediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) Subspecialty training.

This role, as the RCEM PEMISAC EMTA representative, is a fantastic opportunity for any RCEM PEM Sub-Specialty Trainee with an interest in a longer term career in Paediatric Emergency Medicine to work with both RCEM and RCPCH.

## Job Description

We are looking for a motivated Higher Specialty trainee in Emergency Medicine either within, or appointed and due to commence Subspecialty Paediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) to join the Emergency Medicine Trainees' Association as RCEM PEM trainee representative to the PEMISAC.

You would join a trainee representative from the RCPCH to represent trainees across both Colleges. The committee meets 3 times per year virtually via video conferencing and virtually.

The appointed applicant would be expected to take feedback from PEM subspecialty trainees to add perspective on training and assessment issues including monitoring quality and standards of training and updating of training documents in PEM e.g. trainee guides and review of the PEM Subspecialty Syllabus in line with GMC requirements. The trainee may be asked to represent PEMISAC at other internal or external meetings of RCEM or at events held by RCEM as required.

As a PEMISAC trainee representative you will provide insight into the PEM 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. You should be able to give input from trainees collectively primarily, and then from your own perspective. The candidate would also be expected to summarise discussions and

communicate to the EMTA Committee, regional representatives and the wider cohort of trainees. The appointed 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.

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. The successful applicants would be expected to contribute the EMJ supplement on an issue relevant to their representative role if relevant There is at least one meeting in person and others via Zoom. The next virtual meetings are in November 2024 and Jan/Feb 2025, with face-to-face meeting in June/July 2025.

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 Higher Specialist Trainee in Emergency Medicine with a current National Training Number
- The applicant must already be or be due to commence subspecialty training in Paediatric Emergency Medicine (PEM) in 2024/2025
- > 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 are 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: 21st November 2024

Thank you very much in advance for your application,

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