



Research and Academic Liaison EMDR Association UK

About the EMDR Association UK

The EMDR Association UK is the professional body for EMDR clinicians and researchers seeking the highest standards of EMDR clinical practice in the United Kingdom.

We are constantly striving to support EMDR therapists by improving the practice and understanding of EMDR therapy. Membership of the EMDR Association UK provides opportunities for accreditation, peer supervision, training, CPD events, regional and special interest groups and information on the latest research.

Our mission is to alleviate suffering and promote personal growth in those who have experienced trauma and other adverse life events by providing skillful, compassionate and effective EMDR therapy. We do this by advancing the theory and practice of EMDR, and through our commitment to ensuring the highest standards of treatment, research, continuing professional development and ethical practice.

About You

We are looking for an organised and enthusiastic expert in psychology to join the EMDR Association UK, and help us advance our academic and research efforts. You will be familiar with research practices and processes including basic statistical analysis and ideally understand research interviews and systematic reviews. A knowledge of NHS mental health systems and practice would also be beneficial.

As well as familiarity with research practices, you will understand governance and committees and be comfortable coordinating the activities and action points of the Scientific Research Committee (SRC) with the committee chair.

About the Role

- £15/hour, rising to £17.50/hour after 6 months (dependent on performance)
- 6-8 hours per week
- Offered on a freelance basis (you therefore must pay your own tax and NI contributions)
- The successful applicant will be expected to provide and maintain appropriate IT equipment to connect to and interact with the Association's software.
- The role's purpose is to support delivery of the Association's scientific and research strategy.
- Reporting to the chair of the SRC (the reporting line is currently under review).
- Supported by Association's Business Support

Role Description

- Contribute to the development of future research activity, including literature reviewing, identifying academic/research partners/ providing support to staff writing research proposals/identifying alternative sources of funding e.g. NIHR.
- Have project oversight of any EMDR UK Association funded research, and report issues with recruitment or meeting project timelines to the SRC.
- Read academic papers, journals and textbooks and attend conferences to keep abreast of developments.
- Network with academics conducting EMDR research and keep the Association informed of developments.
- Organise poster presentations for the EMDR Association Annual Conference
- Co-ordination of the activities and action points of the SRC under direction of the chair of the committee.
- Attend virtual meetings of the monthly SRC usually Mondays 5:15pm to 6:45pm – (day and time under review).
- Arrange meetings to support the SRC programme as directed.
- Provide support for NICE activities including guidelines reviews.
- Attend the EMDR Association Annual Conference in the role of the Association's Research and Academic Liaison.
- Knowledge and experience of using Office 365 suite is essential

Person Specification

Applicants should provide evidence in their applications that they meet the following criteria. We will use a range of selection methods to measure candidates' abilities in these areas including reviewing your on-line application, seeking references, inviting shortlisted candidates to interview and other forms of assessment action relevant to the role.

	Criteria	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications and experience			
1.	Good psychology or social science Masters degree (or equivalent experience).	X	
2.	Experience of conducting EMDR-related research	X	
3.	Experience with quantitative and qualitative research methodology	X	
5.	Experience of systematic reviewing		X
6.	Experience with general software including MS Office 365 programs.	X	
7.	Understanding of mental health issues and treatments, and psychological services.		X
8.	Knowledge of basic statistical data analysis.	X	
9.	Knowledge of NHS mental health systems and practice.		X

Communication skills			
10.	Effective communication skills, both written and verbal, report writing skills and experience of delivering presentations.	X	
Team Working			
11.	Good interpersonal skills.	X	
12.	Ability to work in multi-disciplinary teams.	X	
13.	Ability to work independently with minimum supervision	X	
14.	Reflect the Association's values and priorities	X	

How to apply

To apply, please send the following by email to admin@emdrassociation.org.uk:

- Your full CV, including the names and email addresses of two referees;
 - Referees will only be contacted if you are offered the position.
- A covering letter (maximum 2 pages) setting out your reasons for applying and how you meet the Person Specification for the post.
- We also invite all applicants to complete our anonymous EDI questionnaire: <https://forms.office.com/e/2RtHDNjTR1>

The deadline for receipt of applications is 23:59 on Sunday 11 August 2024. Late applications will not be considered. It is expected that interviews will take place in the week starting 26 August 2024.

Informal enquiries about the role may be sent to bcoghlan@emdrassociation.org.uk (please do not send applications to this email address)