



Accreditation Committee Members

EMDR Association UK

Your Accreditation Committee needs you!

The Accreditation Committee of EMDR Association UK invites applications from Senior Consultants (those of you have been supervising consultants for 5 or more years) who have also supervised and supported members to accreditation.

Our membership numbers are increasing significantly every year and, of course, with it the number of people seeking accreditation, reaccreditation and CPD credits.

Consequently, our workload is also increasing, and our current committee has lost/ is losing a couple of members through retirement.

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.

Meetings

We meet every two months for around 3½ hours, 3:00–6:30pm on the Thursday before the UK Board meeting.

Three of our meetings per year are in person, these are very valuable times when we can properly get to know each other, but meetings can be attended online.

The business of the accreditation committee, looking at applications for accreditation, re-accreditation and CPD points, implementing directives from the practice committee of EMDR Europe and making recommendations regarding accreditation and supervision to the UK Board is an extremely important interface between the membership and the Board of Trustees. It is vital that our meetings are quorate (51% attendance), otherwise any recommendations of members for accreditation or decisions cannot be considered agreed.

This means that any applicant must be certain they have the capacity to attend scheduled accreditation meetings – these are posted 2 years in advance.

Portfolios

The accreditation committee is a very practical, hands-on committee with many tasks to achieve as well as discussions and decision making. Members of the committee are expected to take on a practical task (a portfolio) which will involve ongoing work between meetings. Members undertake a variety of roles; some have taken on more than one.

1. **Mitigation**

We have one member leading on dealing with mitigation requests; that is where a member has been unable to meet the re-accreditation requirements within the allotted five years.

2. **Scrutiny of applications**

Several members of the committee look in detail at accreditation and re-accreditation applications prior to each meeting and record their findings ready for discussion at the meeting. It is essential that a minimum of 3 members has looked at each application

3. CPD

At the moment we have 3 members of the committee looking at all applications for CPD credits prior to each meeting. we have 3 members of the committee looking at all applications for CPD credits prior to each meeting.

4. Coalesce

This is a new portfolio, and we are looking for a committee member who brings:

- **Extensive experience of the full accreditation process**
- **A strong understanding of digital systems and how they are developed and improved**

This combined expertise would help bridge the gap between clinical/accreditation requirements and system development, ensuring that the Coalesce forms are both robust and user-friendly, and reducing the current iterative burden we have.

We are looking particularly for those interested in assisting with the scrutiny of applications and someone that fits the new Coalesce Portfolio requirements.

Express Your Interest

To express an interest in becoming a member of the Accreditation Committee, please send an email to admin@emdrassociation.org.uk. Applications are particularly encouraged from members of the Global Majority, as well as individuals from other groups that are underrepresented in the field, including people with disabilities, LGBTQ+, and socioeconomically disadvantaged backgrounds.

Please include:

- Your full CV
- Details on which portfolios you would be interested in taking on

- A covering letter (maximum 1 page) setting out your reasons for applying
- We also invite all applicants to complete our anonymous EDI questionnaire:
<https://forms.office.com/e/2RtHDNjTR1>

The deadline for receipt of applications is 1 September 2026. Late applications will not be considered. After reviewing applications, the applicants will have an individual informal meeting with the co-chairs of the Accreditation Committee, Ali Russell and Kath Norgate.

Informal enquiries about the role may also be sent to kathnorgate@emdrassociation.org.uk and chairaccreditation@emdrassociation.org.uk.