Join our team of medical assessors as part of the JAG accreditation programme

JAG accreditation is a supportive process of evaluating the quality of clinical services against established standards. It promotes improvement through highlighting areas of best practice and areas for change, encouraging the continued development of the clinical service.

We have an exciting and rewarding opportunity for medical colleagues to join our team of assessors from 2024, representing JAG by assessing endoscopy services across the UK and Ireland. We are looking for experienced consultant gastoenterologists, GI surgeons or equivalent (eg SAS doctors who undertake endoscopies independently), with a passion for endoscopy improvement.

We positively encourage applications from suitably qualified candidates regardless of sex, race, disability, age, sexual orientation, transgender status, religion or belief, marital status or pregnancy and maternity. In particular, we welcome applicants from a Black, Asian or minority ethnic background and female endoscopists, as they are currently underrepresented in our medical assessor pool.

About the role

The assessment team is a multidisciplinary group of professionals including doctors, nurses, managers and lay representatives. The team oversee various aspects of quality based on the JAG standards including leadership, governance and workforce. As a medical assessor, you will take specific responsibility for reviewing clinical practice, safety, audit and training for services wishing to gain accreditation.

Assessors are the face of the accreditation programme and play a crucial role to promote and champion JAG standards and high quality endoscopy care. Assessors provide a supportive, fair and comprehensive assessment for services to support their ongoing improvement.

Being an assessor is also a great way to further your professional development and gain insights and share learning across numerous endoscopy departments.

Time commitment

Each assessment typically requires two days of input; one for remote review of evidence and one for the on-site assessment. Assessments take place across the UK and Ireland, and assessors are expected to assess a minimum of three services a year. Assessors express interest on a voluntary basis, and are given at least 8 weeks notice if they have been selected for an assessment.

Assessments typically require an overnight stay, and assessors are encouraged to take professional/study leave where possible for their time and are paid expenses in line with our policies. A nominal fee for the time spent can be recharged back to your organisation.

Assessor Fees

JAG accreditation pays a day fee of £375. Some assessors may be contracted on a sessional basis for either 0.5 or 1.0 PA per week. See fee schedule for standard technical assessor roles below:

Standard assessment

£750 (duration 1 day/ 1 service)

Linked assessment

£1,125 (duration 2 days/ 2 services)

Deferral reassessment

- £375 per day or 2 PA for site reassessment (documentation revisits not included)
- · No extra payment for documentation only (included in payment for assessment)

Assessor review days

· No payment. The RCP will pay reasonable expenses

Annual review assessment

£50 per annual review

Cancellation fees

If an assessor is contracted to do an assessment and this is cancelled within 6 weeks of the site assessment taking place, the Accreditation Unit will pay £375 or 1 PA in recognition of the work the assessor has done in the remote assessment.

Training

Successful applicants will undergo a detailed remote training programme, including the opportunity to observe an assessment. The office team and other experienced assessors will be on hand to guide you through the process.

Application and appointments process

If you are interested in applying, please complete the application <u>form</u> and email it to <u>AskJAG@rcp.ac.uk</u>.

Closing date for applications: 22 December 2023

A training session for new assessors will take place in **February 2024**. Applicants must attend this training session.

Further information

For further information on JAG, please visit the JAG website at www.thejag.org.uk or contact us at askjag@rcp.ac.uk.