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Nomination to the Trainees' Committee: 2017

BMA Junior Doctors' Committee Observer

Please return the nomination paper by email or post with a statement from the nominee of no more than 200 words describing her/himself. This will be sent out with the ballot paper.

Deadline for return to the above address is Friday 23rd June 5pm

Please obtain the signatures of one nominator and one seconder.

I wish to nominate		APM No.	
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Nominated by		APM No.	
Signature		Date	
Address			

Seconded by		APM No.	
Signature		Date	
Address			

I confirm that I am willing to be nominated to the [name] Committee. (Signed by Nominee.)			
Signature		Date	
Email Address			

About the Committee

The APM Trainees' Committee is for specialty and specialist registrars and aims to represent, information-gather and aid networking. We have a recently formed Facebook group, where we hope to facilitate formal and informal networking and social events, as well as discussions about issues relevant to training, for example the SCE and eportfolio. Search for "APM Trainees" to join in.

The Trainees' Committee coordinates activities and sends representation to meetings of the other APM Committees and the Specialty Advisory Committee. There are also representatives for each region, forming a clear structure for SpRs and StRs to get help or advice should they need it, as well as for the Trainees' Committee to gather information about regional variations.

The APM Trainees' Committee is run by trainees for their peers. As such its primary purpose is to provide trainee peer support and trainee representation, information gathering (including when requested by external organisations at the discretion of the officers) and networking in a variety of areas, most of which are illustrated by the officer roles outlined above. The remit of the Committee is to:

- Facilitate informal peer support and advice to trainees
- Disseminate ideas and information to trainees
- Collate and represent trainees' views within the APM and to the SAC, BMA, PCRS, JSC and other national bodies as required
- Encourage trainee involvement in the APM, (and its work as the specialist society for palliative medicine), and other national bodies relevant to a career in palliative medicine

About the Role – BMA Junior Doctors' Committee Observer

The core role of the APM observer to the BMA Junior Doctors Committee (JDC) is attending and promoting the interests of Palliative Medicine trainees in JDC meetings, which are held quarterly in BMA House, London. These are on Fridays and Saturdays alternately. In attendance, will be the JDC Executive, the elected BMA regional committee members, representatives from other BMA committees (such as the Consultants, GP and Medical Students Committees), as well as other observers from various trainee committees. You do not need to be a BMA member to hold this position. Whilst observers to the JDC do not have voting rights in committee ballots, the post holder can contribute actively to all debates.

You will also attend quarterly multi-specialty working group meetings, which are also held at BMA House, London. The chairs or representatives from all trainee committees are invited and the JDC Executive also attend. This is a smaller meeting with more opportunity to discuss specific training matters.

This post serves as a key link between the BMA and APM Trainees' Committee and the post holder therefore works closely with the APM Trainees' Committee to update and liaise about issues relevant to junior doctors in Palliative Medicine. The Trainees' Committee meets four times a year (twice face-to-face and twice by teleconference calling) and you will be required to submit quarterly reports.

This is an excellent opportunity for a trainee with an interest in medical politics.

Term of office 4 years

Committee Meetings

Frequency of meetings: 4 times per year

The Trainees' Committee can have a maximum of 2 face to face meetings APM committees can have as many telephone conferences as they wish, but should do this in conjunction with the APM Secretariat, to ensure that meetings/calls are coordinated with other committees and that value for money is achieved. A meeting should be considered quorate if the Chair (or their deputy is present) plus 50% of other members. If any member does not attend more than 50% of the meetings in a year their position on the committee will be vacated unless the exec approves their continued membership due to special circumstances.