The role of an MBRRACE-UK assessor

The role of an MBRRACE-UK assessor is to undertake review of the anonymised medical records of all women who die during or up to one year after pregnancy and selected women with severe morbidities to identify messages to improve future care. Assessors are asked to review the care women received in relation to existing relevant guidance, such as that produced by NICE or the appropriate Royal Colleges and professional organisations, and identify areas of care where improved practice in the future might prevent women’s deaths or other severe outcomes. They are expected only to review the care in relation to their specific specialist area, for example, midwifery, obstetrics or obstetric medicine. We ask assessors to review the care of between 10 and 15 women per year, approximately one per month. Reviewing takes place entirely online using the MBRRACE-UK online secure viewing platform and travel is not required. The post is unremunerated but may be used as part of continued professional development. New assessors are provided with relevant training, either face-to-face or via video conference, and are mentored by an experienced MBRRACE-UK assessor. The initial term for assessors will be three years, renewable for a further three years.


If you are interested in applying, please submit a two page CV and a short letter stating why you would like to undertake the role and any relevant experience to marian.knight@npeu.ox.ac.uk. The closing date for applications is the 5th September 2019. Applications will be considered by the relevant College/MBRRACE-UK appointments committee and successful applicants informed by October 2019.

The applicants will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

**Essential:**

a. In good standing with the NMC/GMC/relevant Royal College
b. Recent active clinical practice (at least two sessions/one day per week in active NHS clinical practice in the relevant specialty within the last three years) to the level of:
   - Ward manager, labour ward coordinator, supervisor of midwives or equivalent for midwives
   - Consultant for obstetricians and obstetric physicians

c. Evidence of a contribution to and interest in clinical governance or national audit and research, e.g. previous work on the Confidential Enquiry into Maternal Deaths, UKOSS
d. Experience of confidential case review
e. Experience of Committee work
f. Evidence of forging links within and outwith one’s own professional group
g. Relevant specialist experience.