



Advert for JAG QA of Training Working Group Chair

The Joint Advisory Group on GI Endoscopy (the JAG) invites applications from persons interested in taking up an important role in supporting the further development of quality assurance in endoscopy. The JAG wishes to appoint a Chair of the QA of Training Working Group.

The post holder will be responsible for providing leadership and direction for the Working Group in developing policies and themes of work relevant to endoscopy training and the role of the JAG in delivering a quality assurance framework.

The appointment will be for two years, renewable for a further year by agreement and will be funded at 0.5 PA initially increasing to 0.75 PA from April 2015, reimbursable to the post holder's employer.

Application and appointments process

Interested parties are welcome to have an informal discussion ahead of application with either Mr John Stebbing, Chair of the JAG (j.stebbing@nhs.net) or Dr Mark Feeney, current Chair of the QA Training Working Group (mark.feeney2@nhs.net).

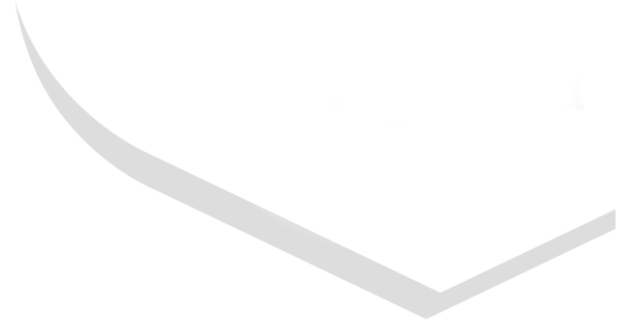
Applicants should submit the following to askjag@rcplondon.ac.uk:

Letter of application
Short CV

Interview for short-listed applicants will be held at the Royal College of Physicians in London on **Tuesday 9th December 2014.**

It is intended that the successful applicant will take up post as soon as possible after appointment to allow a period of overlap and handover from the current Chair to ensure a seamless transition of work in progress. The formal date of succession will be no later than 1st April 2015.

Closing date for applications is 1 December 2014.



Background and further information

The RCP's Accreditation Unit hosts a number of accreditation schemes, focusing on professionally-led quality improvement and quality assurance both in the UK and internationally. We also provide expertise in this area but operated by other bodies and provide expertise to the developers of other accreditation schemes both in the UK and internationally. Our accreditation work focuses on a number of key clinical areas:

- Endoscopy through the Joint Advisory Group on gastrointestinal endoscopy (JAG)
- Occupational Health, through the Safe Effective Quality Occupational Health Service (SEQOHS) accreditation scheme
- Physiological diagnostics through Improving Quality In Physiological diagnostic Services (IQIPS)
- Improving Quality in Allergy Services (IQAS)

The JAG was established in 1994 under the auspices of the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges (AMRC) specifically through the Royal College of Physicians, Royal College of Surgeons, Royal College of Radiology and the Royal College of General Practitioners.

The JAG's core objectives are:

- to agree and set acceptable standards for competence in endoscopic procedures
- to agree and set acceptable standards for endoscopy units
- to quality assure endoscopy training
- to quality assure endoscopy services.

It achieves these objectives through accreditation visits, self-reporting, offering training, quality assuring training courses and centres, certifying individuals and providing a knowledge management system.

For more information on JAG please see the JAG or RCP Websites - www.thejag.org.uk or www.rcplondon.ac.uk