

# Emergency Medicine Journal

[EMJ](#) is looking for new reviewers and Decision Editors!

The Emergency Medicine Journal is now accepting expressions of interest to serve as article reviewers and/or Decision Editors for the journal.

## **Roles and qualifications:**

Reviewers should have at least 1-2 content areas in which they feel they have a greater than average familiarity with the literature, controversies and research needs. We prefer reviewers to have experience and/or some training in research design and implementation, but need not be first authors. Applications should include a list of relevant publications (peer reviewed or grey literature), or lectures, or other evidence of research experience and/or expertise in the field. Statistical expertise is not required. Reviewers will be asked to review on the basis of their expertise according to the submissions to the journal. At times, reviewers may be invited to write a commentary on articles reviewed. Over time, reviewers who provide timely and useful reviews may be invited to become Decision Editors. Reviewers who review regularly may become members of the editorial board.

## **Decision Editors:**

The role of the Decision Editor is to evaluate new submissions forwarded to them by the Editor-in-Chief, and invite reviewers to review manuscripts, as well as appraise the article themselves, and provide a recommendation on the article based on their own views and that of the reviewers. Decision Editors should have at least five years of experience in reviewing peer-reviewed manuscripts, have an expertise in one or two content areas\* including knowledge of existing literature, controversies, and knowledge gaps, and have good skills in appraising research methodology. Statistical expertise is not required but DE's should be familiar with basics of sample size estimation, parametric and non-parametric hypothesis testing, and risk of bias in research design and recruitment. Decision Editors will be asked to handle on average no more than four articles per month, are invited to two meetings of the editorial team per year and, if held in person, travel expenses within the United Kingdom are reimbursed. DE's are members of the editorial board.

To apply for either position, please send a letter with the following to Joshua McAlpine ([jmcalpine@bmj.com](mailto:jmcalpine@bmj.com)):

1. Position applied for
2. CV with peer-reviewed publications and/or lectures given
3. Relevant coursework if taken
4. List of journals previously reviewed for (**required for DE**)
5. Three prior reviews from EMJ or other journals (**required for DE**)