

Royal College of Emergency Medicine

Global Emergency Medicine Committee Terms of Reference

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Reports to

The Global Emergency Medicine Committee reports to the Academic Committee.

Aim

The aim of the Global Emergency Medicine (GEM) Committee is to establish RCEM as a world-leader in the advocacy and development of GEM that is clinically excellent, evidence-based, compassionate and equitable.

Responsibilities

Governance

- Provide oversight of the governance GEM programmatic work undertaken on behalf of the College.
- Ensure alignment of GEM activities with RCEM's strategic priorities and compliance with international standards for emergency care.
- Provide guidance and support for the development and implementation of the GEM strategy.
- Contribute to the alignment and delivery of the key RCEM strategies including International Membership strategy and Academic strategy, promoting engagement with and support for international members.

Advocacy

- Contribute to the implementation of key World Health Assembly (WHA) resolutions by supporting the global EM community in achieving their goals of universal health coverage and improved emergency care systems, including but not limited to:
WHA Resolution 76.2: Integrated emergency, critical, and operative care for universal health coverage and protection from health emergencies.
WHA Resolution 72.16: Emergency care systems for universal health coverage, ensuring timely care for the acutely ill and injured.
- Advocate for the development and maintenance of EM services in low-resource settings and regions affected by disaster and/or conflict.
- Support and champion initiatives worldwide that align with RCEM values, fostering partnerships and networks that enhance global emergency care systems.
- Promote awareness and understanding of the critical role of emergency care in achieving universal health coverage, particularly among policymakers, donors, and international organisations.

Education and Curriculum Development

- To support the response to international requests to RCEM for localised EM curriculum development
- To provide guidance to the examination team with respect to overseas exam provision upon request



- To Provide advice and recommendations for members to work internationally through the College website and newsletters, EMJ, social media and GEM days at the college
- Promote participation in bi-directional learning collaborations, observer fellowships, research projects, and capacity-building efforts to expand opportunities for healthcare professionals to contribute to and learn from GEM initiatives.
- Work with relevant College Committees to support and encourage GEM OOPes (where possible considered for training) including academic, clinical and managerial opportunities (including humanitarian work)
- Work with the RCEM curriculum sub-committee to integrate relevant global health competencies into any new iterations of the UK RCEM EM curriculum
- Liaise with equivalent global health committees of other Royal Colleges and relevant bodies, including international EM societies and professional bodies
- Influence the quality of care in Emergency medicine internationally by sharing and promotion of good practice, standards and quality improvement projects including supporting the development of resources for EM systems globally

Representation and Network Building

- Provide a network for RCEM members and fellows involved in GEM
- Promote global EM activities to RCEM members and fellows
- Support the inclusion and professional development of International Medical Graduates (IMGs) through initiatives such as the Medical Training Initiative (MTI) programme, fostering skills transfer and building capacity in underserved regions.

Membership

Membership of the Committee comprises:

- Chair of the Global Emergency Medicine Committee
- Director of Education
- Dean
- Head of International
- EMFP/EM core Lead
- MTI Lead
- Lay Representative
- Research representative
- Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Committee representative
- Gender Equity Committee representative
- EMTA representative
- EMSAS representative
- Phasing of 8 representatives with experience in global health work in LMIC resource settings to 4-6 with focus on regions – Asia, MENA, East Africa, West Africa
- Curriculum representative
- Relevant College Officers as and when required



In attendance:

- Other College staff as appropriate

Meetings

The committee meets four times a year. All members should endeavour to attend but deputies can be sent with the agreement of the Chairperson.

The quorum for this Committee shall be three members, plus the Chair of the Global Emergency Medicine Committee.