

National Centre for Chiropractic Research (NCCR)

External Peer Review College

Role descriptor for EPRC members

Purpose

To provide independent, expert evaluation of funding proposals submitted in response to NCCR competitive calls, ensuring transparency, academic excellence, and alignment with Centre priorities.

Person Specification

| Criteria | Essential | Desirable |
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| Qualifications & knowledge | PhD or equivalent in musculoskeletal (MSK) research, health sciences, or related discipline, or equivalent experience | Experience in chiropractic or allied health research |
| Research & professional experience | Experience in conducting or evaluating high-quality research; Evidence of peer-reviewed publications | Experience in research funding application review or research management |
| Skills & competencies | Ability to provide constructive, objective feedback; Strong analytical and critical appraisal skills | Familiarity with UK and international research funding processes |
| Personal attributes | Commitment to academic integrity, fairness, and confidentiality; Ability to work independently; Proactive and responsive | Experience contributing to cross-disciplinary or international research collaborations |
| Diversity & inclusion | Awareness of and commitment to supporting diversity in research and peer review | Experience mentoring or supporting early career researchers |

Term

Members of the External Peer Review College normally serve a term of 3 years, which is renewable.

Commitment

Ad hoc requests to undertake peer review of proposals; timely submission of evaluations as agreed with NCCR.