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Trainee Lead for the ABS iBRA-NET ASPIRE (Breast Pain Pathway Rapid Evaluation) Project

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a forward thinking and dynamic breast surgery Trainee from the ABS membership to support the Clinical Lead to develop and deliver the iBRA-NET ASPIRE (Breast Pain Pathway Rapid Evaluation) Project on behalf of the Association.

Capacity pressure on breast unit diagnostic services is recognised and to address this several units have developed specific pathways for the management of patients with isolated breast pain or mastalgia with different pathways at various stages of development, implementation and evaluation.

Consistent with a commitment to “no innovation without evaluation”, ABS intends to support a multicentre platform study to evaluate these pathways and to deliver them as a collaboration between the iBRA-NET and the ABS Academic and Research Committee. The primary outcome will be pathway safety measured by the number of breast cancers diagnosed in the 12 months following assessment. Patient satisfaction and costs of different approaches will also be assessed.

The Trainee Lead post

The Trainee Lead role is to support the Clinical Lead in delivering the project. The successful applicant will also receive mentorship from the Clinical Lead and experiential leadership training through the delivery of a national evaluation project. The Trainee Lead will participate in steering group meetings; be involved in drafting reports and study documents and have opportunities to present and promote the evaluation locally and nationally.

The role is open to **trainees of all levels** who would be willing to commit to involvement in a two year project.

Desirable skills include:

- Enthusiasm for and interest in breast pain and improving breast diagnostic service
- Experience of leading audit/service evaluation projects locally or nationally including presentation/publication of findings
- Previous involvement in trainee collaborative projects and/or trainee leadership roles
- Good team-working and communication skills

Role of the Trainee Lead

This is an exciting role and requires the ability to demonstrate leadership in clinical evaluation, working with key stakeholders, including the ABS Academic and Research Committee and iBRA-NET and a patient and public involvement group, ensuring high standards in the setup and delivery of the evaluation. Specific objectives and key deliverables would include:

- To set up the evaluation study including finalisation of the protocol, database, all necessary governance processes

- Identification of relevant pathways and recruitment of centres into the evaluation
- Delivery of the multicentre evaluation
- Drafting of annual report to ABS trustees and manuscript(s) for peer review and publication
- Review of funding opportunities and consideration of development of further ongoing work and research to address pressures on breast unit diagnostic services

The Trainee Lead will support the clinical lead in delivering these objectives.

Please send applications to Lucy Davies (lucydavies@absgbi.org.uk) with a covering letter detailing why you would be suitable for the role and short CV (max 4 sides).

Closing date for applications: Monday 8th August 2022 at 0900

Interviews will be held online: Tuesday 30th August 2022