# Terms of reference for the Emergency General Surgery Sub-committee

### **Purpose**

Emergency surgery and its provision within Trusts is of paramount importance. The purpose of the Emergency General Surgery Committee (EGS) is to represent ACPGBI members ensuring that emergency colorectal surgery is performed to the highest standard and that their contribution to the generality of emergency surgery is similarly recognised. This group mirrors IBD, peritoneal malignancy and endoscopy committees that similarly report through MCC.

#### Interactions

MCC. The subgroup reports to Council through MCC Chair The nursing Allied Professionals Group, The Royal College of Anaesthetists Representatives of NELA/PQUIP, AUGIS, ASGBI, BSG Charities and patient support groups Commissioning bodies

## Objectives

Representation of views of professional and patient groups in shaping strategy for emergency colorectal and general surgery.

Provision of oversight, direction, governance and promotion of emergency surgery-related databases, audits, research and initiatives.

Address issues related to training and the performance of emergency colorectal surgery by non-specialists. Collaboration with other bodies and charities with shared interest in Emergency surgery, including but not limited to NELA and PQUIP.

#### Membership

The committee will consist of 6 members (a Chair and 5 elected members). The committee will be voted by Council following submission of an abridged CV. The Chair will be appointed by the members of the subcommittee. All members should be currently involved in the provision of emergency general/colorectal surgery in their Trusts. Three-year terms are encouraged to ensure continuity.

A patient representative will be nominated by the Patient Liaison Group. A trainee representative will be appointed by the Dukes 'Club. Other co-opted members will be recruited as required.

#### Accountability

The chair of the subcommittee will report to the Chair of the MCC.

#### Meetings

Meetings will be held twice each year. At least one face-to-face meeting is encouraged each year either at the annual meeting of ACPGBI or at the Royal College of Surgeons of England in London with teleconferencing available. Other meetings will be held by teleconference.

The agenda will be coordinated by the Chair and Honorary Secretary, but any member of the subcommittee may propose items for the agenda if the Chair agrees.

# Reimbursement of expenses

The ACPGBI will reimburse reasonable day travel expenses and second-class rail fares. Overnight accommodation and subsistence will not be covered.

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