

Powers and responsibilities of national associations with external trainers

Introduction

The basic EMDR Europe training and accreditation process is closely interlinked. This is achieved by the co-operative inter-relationship between trainers and the national association. During their accreditation, trainers are made aware of and agree to this. However, both parties in this relationship have a duty to make sure that this works. The following guidelines outline the powers and responsibilities of the national association when an external EMDR Europe-accredited trainer decides to run basic EMDR training in his/her country.

Planning the training

If an EMDR Europe trainer wishes to teach EMDR basic training in a country where he/she is not resident, he/she must have the consent of the EMDR national organisation. This must be agreed in writing prior to the announcement of the training. If a conflict occurs, both parties can appeal to the Board of the EMDR Europe Association. A written statement of any decision must be received before the training is advertised.

Relating to the national association

If an external EMDR Europe trainer plans to train in the same country on more than one occasion, the national association has the right insist that the trainer becomes a member of the national association. The national association has the right to expect that an external trainer acts in a way that supports and promotes their national organisation. As part of re-accreditation, trainers will be asked to prove that they have done this, and the national EMDR association will be asked to confirm that the trainer remains in good standing with their association. Trainers must attend at least at 3 EMDR Europe conferences and 3 EMDR Europe trainers' workshops every 5 years. In countries which hold national EMDR conferences, the trainer must also demonstrate support of the national association by attending at least one national conference in every three years.

Organisation of the training

The EMDR Europe Association requires a seamless relationship between trainers, trainees, the national association and the accreditation process for practitioners and consultants. In order to make sure that this takes place, the national association has the right to make sure that:

- Trainees are informed about the national association and the accreditation process, and are encouraged to join.
- If the national association is concerned about low numbers of trainees joining their association from any one trainer, they should bring this to the attention of the trainer, and if necessary, to the Standards Committee.
- During the training, all facilitators must meet the EMDR Europe requirements by being members of the national association and have been EMDR Europe-approved consultants for at least two years.
- The required minimum of 10 hours' supervision during training must be undertaken by a clinician who is a member of the national association and is at least an EMDR Europe accredited consultant.