

Essential Criteria

Assessors shall be:

- employed at the most senior professional level within their own institution. Normally this would be as a Medical Consultant, a Top Grade Clinical Scientist, or a Biomedical Scientist (usually Grade 4). Other grades will be considered supported by a current job description and judged on their own merit.
- a member, in good standing, of one of the professional shareholding bodies of CPA and endorsed as such.
- supported by the Chief Executive and the Head of Department of their own institution.
- working in a CPA accredited, or conditionally approved laboratory.
- able to commit to at least 3 assessment visits per annum.
- able to undertake all the necessary training and to attend the update sessions.

Desirable Criteria

Assessors should have:

- wide knowledge of the functioning of a Medical Pathology laboratory.
- an open-minded approach to assessment.
- a commitment to the CPA standards of accreditation.
- ability to work as part of a team.
- communication and inter-personal skills.

Method of Appointment

- CPA will advertise widely for assessors in all relevant Pathology publications.
- Applicants will complete an application form (copy attached).
- The Professional Advisory Committee will assess applications.
- Applicants will be informed in writing of the decision.
- Unsuccessful applicants may re-apply at a future date.