

Become a Reviewer for the McPin Foundation Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Where will the biannual meetings take place?

They are usually held at the McPin Foundation head office although this can change depending on the event and meeting room availability.

What happens if I am not able to complete a reviewing task?

We completely understand that it's not always possible to complete every task. We will always email you first to see if you are available and want to complete a task. If you have agreed to complete a task but are no longer able to complete it, please try to let us know as soon as possible by contacting Tillie (tilliecryer@mcpin.org).

What if I am not well enough to complete reviewing work?

McPin understands that we cannot be well all of the time. If there is a time at which you are not well enough to complete reviewing work, please get in touch with Tillie (tilliecryer@mcpin.org).

How much payment is offered for the work I complete?

We pay our reviewers at the standard rate of **£14.10** per hour. This is the same for all McPin Peer Review Panel members.

How is payment arranged?

Every time you complete a piece of work for us, we will provide you with an invoice form. Here, you can provide us with your bank details (or your parent/guardian's) and you will receive your payment via bank transfer within 30 days.

Do I have to pay for my travel to meetings?

We cover all reasonable travel expenses to and from meetings. If you need to travel with an appropriate adult, we will also cover their travel expenses. Expenses can be claimed by completing a McPin Expenses claim form and attaching receipts (or copies of receipts). You will receive your reimbursement via bank transfer within 30 days. McPin can book your travel in advance for you.

Why is the age range set to 25 and over?

At the time of writing, we are also recruiting "young reviewers" aged 16-24. People who are aged 16-24 should apply using the "Become a Young Reviewer for the McPin Foundation Application Form", available in the [vacancies](#) section on our website. If you are aged 25 and over, please complete the "Become a Reviewer for the McPin Foundation Application Form", also available in the [vacancies](#) section on our website.

Why are you particularly asking for people to have direct experience of psychosis?

Much of McPin's work relates to psychosis. We want to make sure that more people with experience of psychosis are represented on the panel, to comment on our work and the work of our research partners. People with other experiences are also welcome to apply.

What if my interests in mental health research change?

We will contact you on an annual basis to make sure that you still want to be on the panel, your current interests and if you have any feedback.

What should I do if I want to leave the panel?

You can email, write or phone Tillie Cryer (tilliecryer@mcpin.org; 020 7922 7874) to let us know you would like to leave the panel. You do not have to give a reason if you don't want to and there is no notice period that you have to give.

Do I have to currently be accessing services for my mental health?

No, this is not a requirement.

How will people be selected?

Four people will be selected to join the panel based on the quality of their application but also to enhance the diversity of our panel, both in terms of experiences and backgrounds.