

I am delighted to put myself forward to become a member of the International Marcé society board. The Marcé society is very close to my heart and is the forum where I have learned most about maternal mental health. It is where I have made what I hope will be deep and life long friendships, have received mentorship and advice and where I feel most at home. Receiving the Marcé medal was the proudest moments of my career. Women and their families desperately need further advances in our understanding of maternal mental illness that only research can bring. They also need compassionate and informed professionals delivering the treatments currently available. For these reasons, the Marcé society has never been more relevant and important. The bi-annual congress is key to delivering the societies goals and I am delighted to have accepted the invitation to become the co-chair, along with Louise Howard, president elect, of the 2022 meeting in London. I am therefore putting myself forward for membership of the board in order to ensure maximal communication between the conference organisers and the board.

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