The Trainees from the North Western Deanery would like to nominate Miss Victoria Beale (VB) Consultant at Central Manchester Children’s hospital NHS Trust (CMFT) for BAOMS Trainer of the Year for 2015.

**Knowledge, Skills and performance**

VB has been a consultant for five years at CMFT cleft unit. Despite cleft surgery being a sub-specialty with little opportunity for hands-on experience unless you are a fellow, VB ensures constant active interaction with her assistants and observers. She is enthusiastic and approachable even at the most stressful of times. She leads by example and actively seeks out opportunities for her trainees to gain as much experience as possible. She provides constructive feedback that is critical for progression.

**Safety and Quality**

VB has a passion for teaching and education. She ensures that all trainees who pass through the CMFT cleft unit develop confident clinical, managerial and educational skills, which can be passed on to others. She delivers quality and safe training to all members of the team.

**Communication, partnership and teamwork**

As a team player, VB has the ability to communicate effectively and empowers her team to work as a cohesive unit. When supervising her trainees, she gives them the independence to develop confidence but will calmly intervene when needed. She creates an ideal teaching atmosphere that is conducive to learning.

**Maintaining Trust**

VB acts with the utmost honesty and integrity. VB is held in high regard by her patients, patients family members and the cleft multidisciplinary team. She is always open and honest with patients, trainees and colleagues alike. She provides useful feedback and guidance for the development of trainees under her supervision.

In summary, VB has an inherent desire and capacity to teach and train surgeons. She exemplifies the qualities and attributes of the domains of Good Medical Practice and is a role model for surgical trainers of the future.