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ACRRM FACT SHEET: COLLEGE-LED TRAINING

Registrar placements and practice agreements: 2023

ACRRM is excited to directly deliver training to registrars on the fully government-funded **Australian General Practice Training Program (AGPT)** from 2023. The College is on track to implement a College-led training model built on the evidence and success of the AGPT and blended with experience and success in delivering training through our **Independent Pathway (IP)** and the new **Rural Generalist Training Scheme (RGTS)**.

ACRRM is committed to working with the general practice training sector to ensure the best outcomes for the profession, and a smooth transition of the AGPT program to the College.

The following information is an update on the transition to College-led Training (CLT), however is subject to the finalisation of funding arrangements for the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program.

ACRRM looks forward to providing further updates to the general practice training sector, following completion of the Commonwealth CLT funding agreement.

Registrar placements for 2023

Placing registrars into accredited training posts is a key activity for GP training.

During transition, Regional Training Organisations (RTOs) will continue to coordinate the placement of registrars into accredited training posts, in line with current processes and policies. In most cases, this will involve placements for the first semester of 2023 (2023.1), but full-year placements may also be arranged where this fits with existing RTO approaches.

ACRRM will uphold all placements arranged by RTOs with training posts in 2023.

Accreditation of training posts

ACRRM is working with RTOs to ensure practices are accredited. Existing accreditation expiry dates will be honoured.

From February 2023, ACRRM will proactively address reaccreditations.

New accreditations will be managed in line with the ACRRM accreditation framework which has been in use for over 10 years and is designed to reflect the full Rural Generalist curriculum and to ensure high quality experiences within GP Training. The College will monitor compliance with training requirements throughout the accreditation period in partnership with RTOs and will address areas of concern to support compliance where possible.

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Training post agreements

Contracts with RTOs for the placement of registrars will conclude on transition, and from February 2023 placement contracts will be managed by ACRRM.

ACRRM has developed future contracts for training posts - generally referred to as practice or placement agreements. These are currently in use for Rural Generalist Training Scheme (RGTS) training posts.

ACRRM will further consult with training posts and supervisors to ensure a smooth transition to a new contract with the College and to ensure there is clear communication on future CLT arrangements.

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Accreditation of training posts

ACRRM is currently working to ensure all existing accreditations will be upheld and recognised. New accreditations will be managed in line with the ACRRM accreditation framework which has been in use for over 10 years and is designed to reflect the full Rural Generalist curriculum and to ensure high quality experiences within GP Training. We will monitor compliance with training requirements throughout the accreditation period in partnership with RTOs and will address areas of concern to support compliance where possible.

Training Post Support

ACRRM is recruiting and training key regional roles to support training posts and supervisors.

These roles include regional medical educators to support registrar education delivery, undertake clinical teaching visits and support learning in practice; rural support officers who will support accreditation, placement, and practice engagement; and training officers who provide one-to-one case management support in regional areas.

The College will secure supervisor and registrar liaison roles to provide additional pastoral and advocacy support.

GP training policies

ACRRM has a full suite of College training policies to guide support and governance across all pathways and these are currently being reviewed for CLT suitability.

The College is collaborating with RACGP on key policy areas to minimise the impact of changes on supervisor and training post arrangements following transition.

The implementation of all policies under the CLT model will include consultation to manage impacts and timelines.

Payments

The Department of Health is implementing a Nationally Consistent Payment Framework for 2023. Payments will be processed by Services Australia (SA).

ACRRM is collaborating with the Department of Health, RACGP and SA to develop the data sharing processes necessary for these payments, based on the type and location of the training activity.

Further information is available [here](#).

National Terms and Conditions for the Employment of Registrars (NTCER)

The College understands and expects the NTCER will continue to be the framework under which registrars are paid while training in a training practice/post.

For more information on the NTCER, please read [here](#).

Supervisor Continuing Professional Development

ACRRM has a range of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) available to support supervisors across GP training, hospital, and Advanced Specialised Training environments.

ACRRM is also working on bi-college supervisor CPD with RACGP to ensure supervisors have access to jointly accredited CPD. ACRRM will recognise CPD completed with other colleges as a part of the minimum required CPD hours to maintain accreditation.

Administration

ACRRM is ready to support supervisors and training posts in their delivery of GP training. The College will maintain its current, flexible supervision and accreditation standards as well as offer reporting ability through an online accreditation system.

ACRRM will contact AGPT training posts in the second half of 2022, to provide ongoing contracts; introduce the ACRRM support team, including the rural support officer; and issue log-in details for the ACRRM online accreditation and reporting system.

Please read the College Discussion Paper for more information on the ACRRM CLT model



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