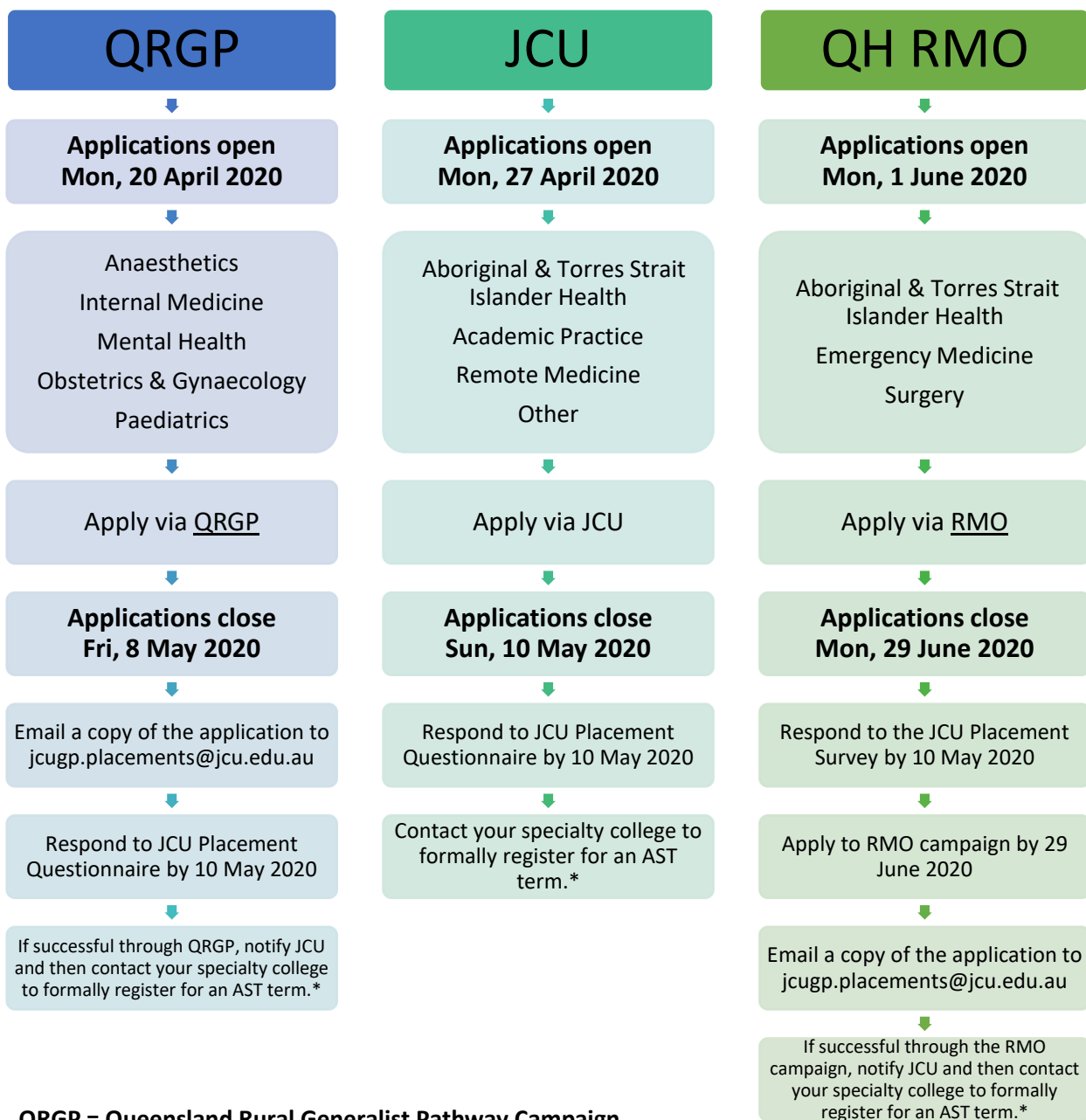


2021 Application Process for Advanced Skills (AST/ARST) Posts

Advanced skills posts are managed each year through three separate application processes, summarised in Figure 1 below. The process a registrar should follow depends on which discipline they wish to pursue. Details on how each process works are provided in the following pages.

Registrars who would like to speak to a medical educator about AST/ARST posts should contact jcugp.placements@jcu.edu.au or speak to their local medical educator.

Figure 1.



QRGP = Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway Campaign

JCU = James Cook University General Practice Training program

QH RMO = Queensland Health Resident Medical Officer Campaign

*Certain specialist colleges require registration of AST terms in order to be awarded a diploma.

Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway (QRGP) Campaign

On 20 April 2020, the [Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway](#) will open a state-wide centralised recruitment and placement process for all GP registrars wishing to undertake an advanced skill in the following disciplines:

- Anaesthetics;
- Internal Medicine;
- Mental Health;
- Obstetrics & Gynaecology; and
- Paediatrics.

**The online recruitment process opens Monday, 20 April 2020 at 9 am AEST
and closes on Friday, 8 May 2020 at 3 pm AEST.**

Please note the following:

- All registrars interested in Anaesthetics, Obstetrics & Gynaecology or Paediatrics must apply via this process by visiting <https://www.health.qld.gov.au/ruralgeneralist/advanced-skills>.
- Registrars already training on the AGPT program through JCU **must preference an AST/ARST position that is located in the JCU training region.**
- For registrars not already training on the AGPT program, it is recommended that you preference locations that are in the same region as your first preference RTO.
- Note that registrars ***do not*** need to be a Queensland Rural Generalist Trainee to apply.
- Registrars can email their inquiries to rural_generalist@health.qld.gov.au or contact Suzanne Edmondson on 1800 680 291.

How to Apply

1. Contact the unit Director of the preferred post to discuss position requirements such as pre-existing knowledge and skills.
2. Submit an application to the **Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway** intake before the closing date, ensuring that positions located in the JCU training region are preferred.
3. Respond to the **JCU Placements Questionnaire** between **27 April and 10 May 2020**, indicating the AST/ARST preference.
4. Email a copy of the QRGP application to JCU at jcugp.placements@jcu.edu.au.
5. If unsuccessful in the QRGP campaign, apply for other disciplines under the Queensland Health RMO campaign or through the JCU's Placements Process (see below).
6. If successful in the QRGP campaign, contact ACRRM and register for an AST term.

JCU Placement Processes

Some AST and ARST positions in the JCU region are managed outside of the QRGP and RMO campaigns, in the following disciplines:

- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health (community based);
- Academic Practice;
- Remote Medicine; and
- Others as determined by JCU.

*Please note that Academic Posts are funded by AGPT and managed by ACRRM and RACGP. Applications for 2021 Academic Posts are open now and **close on 1 June 2020**. Please review the JCU Academic Post Information Sheet on MyGMT and visit the [ACRRM](#) and [RACGP](#) websites for more information.

How to Apply

1. Respond to **JCU's Placement Questionnaire** between **27 April and 10 May 2020**, indicating a preference to do an AST/ARST in one of the above disciplines.
2. Contact Dr. Carole Reeve (carole.reeve@jcu.edu.au) for more information on academic medicine, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health or rural and remote medicine.
3. Contact ACRRM to register for an AST term once a position has been secured

Queensland Health RMO Campaign

On 1 June, 2020, the Queensland Health Resident Medical Officer (RMO) campaign opens a state-wide recruitment and placement process for all GP registrars wishing to undertake advanced skills in the below disciplines:

- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Health;
- Emergency Medicine; and
- Surgery.

The Queensland Health RMO Campaign opens Monday, 1 June 2020 at 9 am AEST and closes on Monday, 29 June 2020 at 3 pm AEST.

Please note the following:

- Registrars already training on the AGPT program through JCU **must preference an AST/ARST position that is located in the JCU training region.**
- For registrars not already training on the AGPT program, it is recommended that you preference locations that are in the same region as your first preference RTO.

- Candidates who were unsuccessful in the Queensland Rural Generalist Pathway intake for Anaesthetics, Internal Medicine, Mental Health, Obstetrics & Gynaecology, or Paediatrics, can amend their applications to be considered for the Queensland Health RMO campaign. For more information, please visit the [Queensland Health RMO page](#).

More information is available on the [Queensland Health RMO Campaign website](#) or by contacting the [local JCU office](#).

How to Apply

1. Respond to **JCU's Placement Questionnaire** between **27 April and 10 May 2020**, indicating an AST/ARST preference.
2. Make contact with the unit Director of the preferred post and discuss position requirements such as pre-existing knowledge and skills.
3. Apply through the Queensland Health RMO Campaign before the closing date, ensuring that positions located in the JCU training region are preferred.
4. Email a copy of the RMO application to jcugp.placements@jcu.edu.au.
5. Contact ACRRM to register for an AST term once a position has been secured.