

## **RACGP College-Led Training**

### **Registrar placements and practice agreements - 2023**

The following information is provided as an update on the transition to College-led training and is subject to the finalisation of funding arrangements for the AGPT program.

Following completion of a funding agreement with the Commonwealth for the delivery of College-led Training, the RACGP will update this communique to ensure its alignment with that Agreement.

The RACGP is committed to working closely with the GP training sector to ensure the best outcomes for the GP profession, and a smooth transition of the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program to a College-led training model.

#### **Registrar placements for 2023**

Placing registrars into accredited training posts is a key activity for GP training. During the transition period, existing Regional Training Organisations (RTOs) will continue to coordinate the placement of registrars into accredited training posts, in line with normal 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.

*The RACGP will uphold all placements arranged by RTOs with training posts in respect of 2023.*

#### **Training practice placement agreements**

Contracts with RTOs for the placement of registrars will be concluding from the completion of this training year, and there will be a new contract in place for future placements with the RACGP.

Future contracts for training practices/posts - generally referred to as practice or placement agreements - are currently under development. We will update you when this is finalised. We intend to undertake further consultation with stakeholders such that new contracts are informed by existing ones, while also reflect the future College-led training arrangements.

Existing accreditation expiry dates will be honoured. The RACGP will progressively commence reaccreditations that fall due from August 2023.

#### **GP training policies**

Under the existing AGPT program, GP training policies are regularly reviewed and amended. It is expected regular policy reviews will continue post commencement of College-led training.

The RACGP is cognisant of minimising the impact of policy changes on supervision arrangements post transition. Implementation of any proposed changes immediately post



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transition will be subject to careful consideration of the feasibility of doing so and establishing through consultation, suitable timeframes at a regional level.

### **Payments**

The Department of Health is implementing a nationally consistent payment (NCP) framework for 2023. Payments will be processed by Services Australia (SA). The RACGP is currently working with the Department of Health, ACRRM and SA to develop the data sharing processes necessary for these payments based on the type and location of the training activity.

The following link provides further detail <https://gpsupervisorsaustralia.org.au/subsidies-and-allowances/>.

### **Accreditation of training posts**

All existing accreditations will be upheld and recognised. We will manage new accreditations in line with our accreditation framework which is currently in the final approval process. It is designed to support high quality experiences within GP Training. We will monitor compliance with training requirements throughout the accreditation period and we will support areas of concern to build compliance where possible.

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

We understand and expect the NTCER will continue to be the framework under which registrars are paid while training in a training practice/post.

### **Supervisor Professional Development**

Supervisor professional development arrangements are well advanced. We will circulate them as soon as possible. This has had broad review and consultation, led by Dr Gerard Ingham and Dr Tony Saltis; working closely with Dr James Brown and the RACGP support team.

### **Administration**

The RACGP is very conscious of the impact of unnecessary administrative requirements on GP Supervisors, Training Practices/posts, and their teams. We want to ensure that any requirements contribute in a meaningful way to the training outcomes and that automation is adapted wherever possible to streamline processes.