PURPOSE
The purpose of this policy is to outline the conditions under which International Medical Graduates may attain Fellowship of the Australasian College of Dermatologists.

SCOPE

DEFINITIONS/KEY WORDS/ABBREVIATIONS

*International medical graduate (IMG)* means specialists who have gained their dermatological qualification from any country other than Australia.

*Specialist Recognition* means recognised as a specialist and eligible for full specialist registration in Australia.

*The College* means the Australasian College of Dermatologists

*BoD* refers to the Board of Directors of the Australasian College of Dermatologists

*AMC* refers to the Australian Medical Council

*AHPRA* refers to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

POLICY

IMGs are eligible to apply to the Board for Fellowship under the following conditions:

- Those required to complete 3, 6, 12 or 24 months of upskilling have successfully completed all requirements as laid out in their training plan by the IMG Assessment Committee and have been recommended to the AMC for Specialist Recognition.
- They provide the Board with the following:
- Fellowship application form
- Letters from their supervisor and their mentor supporting the application for Fellowship giving reasons based on training evidence
- Letter from the IMG Assessment Committee confirming successful complete of their studies as measured against their original assessment and satisfactory completion of their Trainee Portfolio
- AHPRA registration

- Any other general conditions as per national trainees being elected to Fellowship
- Additionally all IMGs must undertake a twelve month mentoring program in their first year as a Fellow.
- In certain circumstances an IMG may be admitted to, and commence in, the training program without their overseas dermatology qualifications being verified by the AMC. If they successfully complete all their training requirements College will recommend their status to the MBA, but will not grant Fellowship until the AMC has verified the IMG overseas dermatology qualifications.