



International Medical Graduates Short-Term Training Position Policy

1. PURPOSE OF POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to outline the role of the Australasian College of Dermatologists with International Medical Graduates (IMGs) wishing to fill a Short-Term Training position in Australia.

2. POLICY SCOPE

This policy defines the applicant, Medical Board of Australia, hospital and College responsibilities for filling Short-Term Training positions.

3. DEFINITIONS

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

Short-Term Training means short-term specified training with the objective of improving their professional skills and experience not available in their country of training.

The Applicant is an IMG applying for a Specified Training position.

The College means the Australasian College of Dermatologists

AMC refers to the Australian Medical Council

MBA refers to the Medical Board of Australia

AHPRA refers to the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

4. POLICY PRINCIPLES

4.1 Application

4.1.1 Applicants are required to contact the relevant Head of Department of the large teaching hospitals in Australia to determine if there is a position available.

4.1.2 Applicants must follow the procedures as laid down by the hospitals.

4.1.3 The ACD plays no role in organizing these positions.

4.1.4 Incomplete applications will be returned after a period of 6 months and any fees paid will be non-fundable.

4.2 Assessment Process

4.2.1 The ACD will assess the position on its suitability and not the qualifications and experience of the IMG

4.2.2 Assessment of the IMG is a hospital concern.

4.3 Registration

- 4.3.1 The applicant must apply to the MBA/AHPRA for medical registration in Australia in order to be able to take up a position.
- 4.3.2 Once MBA/AHPRA registration is acquired it is normally for short periods to a maximum of two years.

4.4 Training

- 4.4.1 Hospitals offering such positions are required to provide IMGs with an appropriate scope of work, adequate clinical and academic supervision and a designated supervisor.
- 4.4.2 Training undertaken through Short-Term Training positions will not be accredited to the ACD Training Program should the applicant wish to apply for Specialist Recognition.

4.5 Fees

- 4.5.1 A fee is payable to the ACD for applications for assessment of Short-Term Training Positions (see www.dermcoll.edu.au).

Note: Fees are determined annually in May by The College Board of Directors. Fee information is published on The College website: www.dermcoll.edu.au.

5. CONTROL REQUIREMENTS

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HISTORY

We reserve the right to vary, replace or terminate this policy from time to time.

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RELATED DOCUMENTS

Specialist Recognition Assessment Policy