

Trainees

During the period 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, the Trainees' Committee (formerly the Trainees' Subcommittee) held seven teleconference meetings and one face-to-face meeting at College House.

Major initiatives by the Trainees' Committee over this time have included:

- Establishment of the Trainees' Subcommittee as a Standing Committee of Council (now known as the Trainees' Committee), in consultation with Council, the Executive Committee and the Training Accreditation Committee. The new committee now includes three Fellows: a Training Accreditation Committee representative, an Education and Assessment Committee representative and a recent Fellow of less than five years' standing.
- Ongoing review of surgical competency assessment issues, including amendments to the list of procedures required for procedural assessments (in consultation with the Education and Assessment Committee).
- Ongoing review of the research component requirement in the specialist training program and active participation in the working party developing strategies and learning modules to support Trainees' research activities.
- Contributing to the development of new regulations clearly defining full-time and part-time (specifically pro rata) training.
- Contributing to the revision of RANZCOG's *Policy on Prejudicial Relationships* governing supervisor/ assessor and Trainee relationships.
- Contributing to the development of the new College guideline on Year 5 and 6 training posts to more clearly define College expectations of these positions.
- Participation in the ongoing review of the RANZCOG curriculum, including the review of the Elective training program.
- Ongoing review of the MRANZCOG written and oral examinations, including the issue of the appropriate number of venues for the former and the planning and running of the latter.
- Implementation of an extensive survey of ITP/Elective trainees' part-time training experiences.
- Ongoing support for and active encouragement of Trainees' Days at RANZCOG Annual Scientific Meetings.

Trainees' Committee members have also acted as Trainee representatives on:

- Education and Assessment Committee
- RANZCOG Training Accreditation Committee and each regional/ New Zealand Training Accreditation Committee
- Regional committees
- Women's Health Committee
- Continuing Professional Development Committee

- RANZCOG Council
- *O&G Magazine* Advisory Group
- ANZJOG Management Committee
- RANZCOG ITP hospital re-accreditation teams
- Interview panels for ITP trainee selection
- Curriculum Review Working Groups
- Research Skills Working Group
- Recognition of Prior Learning Assessment Subcommittee
- Ultrasound Working Group
- MFM/COGU Working Group
- Australian Medical Association (AMA) Doctors in Training Specialties Conferences
- RANZCOG Workforce Advisory Group (New Zealand)
- RANZCOG Maori Advisory Group (New Zealand).

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