

More Information



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Diploma of the RANZCOG (DRANZCOG)



Excellence in Women's Health

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DRANZCOG Training Program

Overview

The RANZCOG Diploma (DRANZCOG) builds on the skills developed through the Certificate of Women's Health program. It is intended for medical practitioners who wish to gain skills in obstetrics and gynaecology that will enable them to safely undertake non-complex deliveries and perform basic gynaecological procedures. DRANZCOG-specific skills are developed during compulsory hospital-based training that must be prospectively approved.

Content

The DRANZCOG consists of five (5) subject areas:

DRAN1 Basic Skills:

Quality Assurance methodology and practice, documentation and coding practices.

DRAN2 Antenatal Care:

Management of complications in pregnancy, pregnancy-induced disorders and pregnancy in women with pre-existing medical conditions.

DRAN3 Labour:

Management of normal labour and delivery, complications in labour.

DRAN4 Postnatal and Neonatal Care :

Examination of a neonate, management of jaundice in a neonate, neonatal resuscitation, problems of the puerperium.

DRAN5 Procedural gynaecology:

Termination of pregnancy, management of miscarriage, marsupialisation of Bartholin's cysts/abscesses.

Eligibility

Prospective DRANZCOG trainees must hold a primary degree in Medicine and Surgery issued by a medical school listed in the WHO Publication *World Directory of Medical Schools*. They must also be registered with the Medical Board of Australia. Trainees must occupy accredited DRANZCOG training posts and be in their second or subsequent postgraduate year.

Training

DRANZCOG training involves either

1. hospital-based training for doctors who have secured a position in a training hospital accredited by the RANZCOG for DRANZCOG training; or
2. a combination of hospital-based training in a training hospital accredited by the RANZCOG for DRANZCOG training and practice-based training.

All training must be prospectively approved by the RANZCOG.

Training Supervisors

Trainees must nominate an appropriate Training Supervisor who will provide the trainee with guidance and support, and meet regularly with the trainee to review progress and sign-off on the trainee's logbook.

Nominated Training Supervisors must be either a Fellow of the RANZCOG or hold the DRANZCOG or DRANZCOG Advanced qualification. They must also be in active obstetric practice in the hospital where the trainee is undertaking DRANZCOG training. Training Supervisors must be approved by the RANZCOG.

Training timeframes

Trainees will generally complete a minimum of six (6) months of training, which must be prospectively approved, and must meet all training and assessment requirements within 4 years of commencement of training.

Online modules

The RANZCOG Women's Health online modules provide learners with a readily accessible, current and comprehensive suite of resources and guided learning tasks that place them at the centre of a collaborative community of learners. Modules are mapped directly to the curriculum with clearly stated learning outcomes and may be completed sequentially or non-sequentially at the learner's own pace, according to their learning needs. Trainees are expected to complete the online modules as part of their training.

Completion requirements

To be awarded the DRANZCOG, trainees must satisfactorily complete:

- all the requirements of the Certificate of Women's Health;
- DRANZCOG logbook requirements;
- the six (6) DRANZCOG Workplace-based Validations (paper-based assessments of clinical skills); and
- the DRANZCOG Written and Oral Examinations.

Recertification requirements

The DRANZCOG is a re-certifiable and time-limited qualification. It is initially granted for a period of time that is aligned to the RACGP Quality Improvement and Continuing Professional Development (QI&CPD) Program and the ACRRM Professional Development (PD) Program. Recertification occurs every three years thereafter. This recertification is contingent on the DRANZCOG holder accruing points in the RACGP QI&CPD or ACRRM PD Programs.

On receipt of the annual subscription fee, DRANZCOG holders will be listed on the DRANZCOG Register and be sent copies of the *Australian and New Zealand Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, and also *O&G Magazine*.