



**Postgraduate Medical Education Council of Tasmania Inc.
Board Meeting 18 September 2019
Report- Manager of the Accreditation Committee (PMCT AC)**

1. Reports to the Medical Board of Australia (MBA) and Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) from the Accreditation Committee.

The Medical Board of Australia has accepted all reports provided by the PMCT AC and the contract between AHPRA/MBA and PMCT has been extended to 31 December 2023.

The next report from PMCT AC to the MBA is due by the end of September 2019.

2. Report from the PMCT AC to the Australian Medical Council

This report is almost complete and will be provided by 30 September 2019 as per the AMC requirements. There are no outstanding issues as all criteria have been met.

3. Mid-cycle accreditation review

The mid cycle review is progressing well. THS-NW has the draft copy for review in relation to factual issues only.

RHH review documents have been sent out on 9 September 2019 and LGH will start in November 2019. No issues noted and all timelines met.

4. GP intern and RMO terms

- There have been some staffing issues with the GP terms at Flinders and King Island over the last year, but the parent hospitals have been working proactively to ensure the interns are supported in their positions in the GP roles. Oral reports are provided by the Directors of Clinical Training, from the three parent hospitals, to the PMCT AC meetings ensuring a transparent process in relation to the support of interns. PMCT AC accepted the reports – these are a standing agenda item on each of the PMCT AC meetings.
- At 10 September 2019 meeting, three new GP RMO terms were considered, one of the terms was a combined PGY1/IMG/PGY2+ term (Don Medical -one position only- NWRH parent hospital) and this was provisionally accredited from 10 September 2019 to 30 January 2021. This allows for flexibility as either an Intern or an RMO can complete this term.
- The Huon Valley (RHH parent hospital) requested a separate RMO term and this was provisionally accredited from 10 September 2019 to 30 January 2021.
- The St Helens GP Intern term which was suspended in 6 June 2018 was also reviewed at the September meeting and this has now been reinstated to start 10 September 2019 and provisionally accredited until 31 January 2021 as there is one medical practitioner with specialist qualifications (FRACGP) employed at St Helens.
- The St Helen's request (LGH parent hospital) was considered re a JMO position but due to issues in medical practitioners being registered as well as having the required specialist recognition, as per the AHPRA public register, the registration is withheld until Ochre Health can provide documentation to prove the doctors are registered and have the relevant specialist qualifications. All GP terms in Tasmania that have been accredited are at **Attachment 1**.

- At the 10 September 2019 meeting, issues pertaining to the interns working in the General Medicine A, B, C and D terms as well as the Emergency Department at the Royal Hobart Hospital (RHH) were discussed. There have been changes in staffing by reducing interns in APU and moving them to help with the significant increase in work in the evening shifts for General Medicine. The DCT and MEA at RHH are working proactively with the interns.

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10 September 2019

Attachment 1

GP Intern and RMO terms Tasmania

Location	Intern	Date approved	Date accredited to	Comments	RMO	Date approved	Date accredited to	Parent Hospital	Comments
King Island	Yes	17-Aug-17	30-Jan-20	Being considered at Mid-cycle review- possibly extended to Sept 2021	No			NWRH	
Queenstown	Yes	17-Aug-17	30-Jan-20	Being considered at Mid-cycle review- possibly extended to Sept 2021	No			NWRH	
Huon Valley	Yes	17-Aug-17	30-Jan-20	Being reviewed mid-cycle review- November 2019 review- but will be considered at Nov 2019 PMCT AC meeting	Approved 10 Sept 2019	30-Jan-21		RHH	2 positions- 1 PGY1 and 1 PGY2+
Flinders Island	Yes	17-Aug-17	30-Jan-20	No interns at present- last interns were second term 2019- Being reviewed mid-cycle review- November 2019 review- but will be considered at Nov 2019 PMCT AC meeting	No			LGH	
St Helens	Yes	17-Aug-17	Suspension lifted and approved to 30 January 2021	Staffing issues and suspended 6 June 2018- going to 10 Sept meeting PMCT AC to be considered to restart Term 1 2020. 10 Sept 2019 reinstated and approved 10 Sept 2019 to 30 January 2021	Accreditation pending dependent on Ochre providing proof that medical practitioners are registered with correct qualifications			LGH	

Scottsdale	Yes	November 2018- accredited from 1 January 2019	30-Jan-20	Will have to be considered at November 2019 meeting for ongoing accreditation	Yes	Feb-18	Feb-22	LGH	Was approved prior to this date
Newstead	Yes	19-Feb-19	30-Jan-20	Will have to be considered at November 2019 meeting for ongoing accreditation	No			LGH	
East Devonport and MCH	No				Yes	1-Jan-19	30-Jan-20	MCH	Being considered at Mid-cycle review- possibly extended to Sept 2021
Don Medical Clinic Devonport	Yes- only one position	10-Sep-19	30-Jan-21	Only one position accredited either an intern or a JMO- 10 September 2019 to 30 January 2021	Yes- only one position	10-Sep-19	30-Jan-21	NWRH	only one position