



## **Accreditation Newsletter February 2015**

### **Accreditation Cycles for 2015- what does this mean for you?**

The Postgraduate Medical Education Council of Tasmania (PMCT) is about to start an accreditation cycle relating to PGY1 and PGY2 terms in Tasmanian public hospitals.

**What does this mean for you?** Well if you are an intern or PGY2 this means that you can provide feedback to our Accreditation teams that will be visiting over the next few months.

For more information you can access PMCT website and the link for the survey tools are  
[http://www.pmct.org.au/images/documents/pmct\\_accreditation\\_survey\\_tool\\_feb2015.pdf](http://www.pmct.org.au/images/documents/pmct_accreditation_survey_tool_feb2015.pdf)  
[http://www.pmct.org.au/images/documents/pmct\\_accreditation-survey\\_nov2014\\_2.pdf](http://www.pmct.org.au/images/documents/pmct_accreditation-survey_nov2014_2.pdf)

### **National Intern Assessment - do I have to know about this?**

The short answer....YES!

In late 2013 the AMC introduced a National Intern Assessment form for mid and end of term assessments. This form has been revised as a result of a National consultation process which some of you may have contributed to. The changes include:

- a shorter form with fewer words (a welcome change!);
- a descriptor applies to ratings of 5, 3 and 1 for each domain, with 2 and 4 assumed to be between the respective numbers;
- simplified descriptors;
- the option for interns to complete a self-assessment but the form now explicitly states that the self-assessment is not for submission;
- the IPAP (Improving Performance Action Plan) has been removed from the back of the form and is now a separate document.

Further information about the assessment process and AMC documents about intern training standards can be found at <http://www.amc.org.au/accreditation/prevoc-standards>

### **Medical Board of Australia Registration Standards – why do I have to know about these?**

Have you ever wondered why the Medical Board of Australia has Registration Standards? Do you know what is expected of you as an intern? Registration Standards apply for all interns who commenced their internship from 2014.

Below is a link to the Medical Board of Australia's website with all the information you need to know about your intern year and future career in medicine.

<http://www.medicalboard.gov.au/Registration/Interns/Guidelines-resources-tools.aspx>

From this website you can read combined communiques from the Medical Board of Australia and the Australian Medical Council. It is your responsibility to read this information from your professional body.

### **How can I find out more about accreditation?**

Visit the PMCT website [www.pmct.org.au](http://www.pmct.org.au), or

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