



## Accreditation Newsletter February 2022

### **COVID-19 and intern requirements for 2022 from the Medical Board of Australia**

The Medical Board of Australia (the Board) has decided the revised requirements for interns directly affected by COVID-19 will continue for 2022 interns.

In 2020 and 2021, the Board revised requirements for interns who had their rotations interrupted due to COVID-19 related leave or because of redeployment.

Acknowledging that COVID-19 outbreaks are likely to continue to cause workforce pressures in 2022, the Board has continued the 2021 changes for 2022 interns directly affected by COVID-19.

The information can be found [here](#)

### **AMC- Latest news in the Prevocational Framework Review**

The National Framework for Prevocational Medical Training Review is still underway. The Australian Medical Council (AMC) is developing a two-year framework for prevocational (PGY1 and PGY2) medical training. The review combines the following:

1. The review of the National Framework for Medical Internship, which in 2014 replaced state-based internship requirements and complemented new national registration requirements of the Medical Board of Australia.
2. The development of a two-year Capability and Performance Framework, Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs) and specifications for an e-portfolio, on behalf of the Health Chief Executives Forum (previously Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council). This work arose from Health Ministers' 2018 response to the 2015 Review of Medical Intern Training.

The point of change to general registration will remain at the end of PGY1. The expansion to PGY2 is intended to provide better support and structure around that year, while continuing the flexibility to enter specialist training.

The information can be found [here](#)

### **Full Accreditation Survey Visits for the Tasmanian Health Service in 2022**

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic the full accreditation survey visits to the Tasmanian based health services were delayed a year. These survey visits review the accredited terms in each of the hospitals to ensure that they meet the standards set out by the Australian Medical Council and the Medical Board of Australia.

In 2022, the PMCT Accreditation Committee will undertake survey visits to the North West Regional Hospital- Mersey Community Hospital in March 2022 and Launceston General Hospital in September 2022.

### **What can you do?**

***Please remember you can help your fellow Interns and Junior Doctors by providing feedback on the terms you have completed. This anonymous feedback is used by the PMCT Accreditation Committee in their review of accredited terms in Tasmania.***

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

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