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Transition plan
1st February 2023

AGPT transition





Foreword

ACRRM and GPEX have worked to co-design this plan for the transition of the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program from GPEX to ACRRM at the end of January 2023.

Both parties have agreed to use the contents of this plan to inform internal and external communication, resources and mutual accountabilities. The collaboration and goodwill shown during the plan's development will help ensure a smooth process for all concerned, including those residing within rural and remote communities.

The transition plan is a living document. Both parties expect that there may be changes over time to activity timelines due to changes in external factors or as implementation is undertaken. Any changes will be by mutual agreement.

Date of agreement: 17 August 2022

Signed for and on behalf of:



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Transition Analysis

Option	Description	Opportunities	Risks	Comments
<p>Transition of all registrars at a single point in time</p> <p>1 February 2023</p>	<p>Clear transition date by which all registrars will have all elements of their training in the AGPT program administered/delivered by ACRRM</p>	<p>Clarity of timing and clear point of transition.</p> <p>Alignment to financial and academic year.</p> <p>Allows sufficient time to bring registrars across to ACRRM in a consistent manner.</p> <p>Allows time for funding levels to be determined and DoH to contract ACRRM.</p> <p>Allows for joint placement process with GPEX and ACRRM minimising disruption.</p> <p>Allows for alignment with ACRRM training term and registrar cohorts.</p> <p>Allows for stronger collaboration.</p>	<p>Communication on reasons for delays and timelines to be considered.</p> <p>A further delayed timeline for transition than anticipated.</p>	<p>This is the preferred approach for ACRRM and allows for both GPEX's concerns around registrar welfare and for earlier transition preparation to occur.</p> <p>The interest of the registrars in training is paramount and this approach will account for key timelines such as placement management in 2023</p> <p>Under this model, registrars could be offered key induction offerings and points of contact as early as October/ November to ease processes across.</p> <p>Allows GPEX and ACRRM to collaboratively work together in the time leading up to the transition date.</p> <p>December handover of registrar management date provides smooth transition as AGPT registrars can commence in line with RGTS/IP training programs in February 2023.</p> <p>Accounting for transition of Practice and registrar payments through Services Australia in February 2023. Final GPEX payments to go ahead in February, then ACRRM take on practice contracts for the following term.</p> <p>The CEO remains the single point of contact for transition requests.</p>



Alignment Phases:



Phase	Activity/Milestone
<u>Phase 1 – Initiation, Planning and Engagement</u> April 2022 onward	Project planning and establishment including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formation of ACRRM and GPEX Project Working Group • Workshopping and development of key milestones, timeframes and deliverables • Development of Activity Work Plan
	Finalised approach to transition confirmed
	ACRRM recruitment of key resources for training delivery
	Training data sharing between ACRRM and GPEX to enable smooth transition of education and related activities (subject to staff availability and dates may need to be extended)
	Key communication to occur on training support engagement for registrars and training posts
	Joint announcement/s and webinars to Registrars, Supervisors and Practices on key timelines for registrars and training posts (including notice to re-enrol/ placement application with GPEX) and notified of joint placement process
<u>Phase 2 –ACRRM Mirroring Operations</u> 1 September 2022 onward	ACRRM to take on operational role in conjunction with GPEX to support management of registrars, supervisors, and practices with select administrative activities
	ACRRM to onboard and provide orientation to all registrars in preparation for final handover
	ACRRM to work with GPEX on placement and accreditation processes to ensure seamless handover and reduce duplication
<u>Phase 3 – ACRRM Management</u> 1 February 2023 onward (Semester 2023.1)	Transition process complete, ACRRM responsible for delivery of AGPT to ACRRM registrars in each region
	Final reconciliation of data and payments to registrars and training posts (subject to staff availability and dates may need to be extended)
	Reporting on outcomes of transition provided to Department and key stakeholders



Key Dates and Activity Milestones

Date	Activity/Milestone
Tentative May to align with GPEX comms plan	Joint announcement of transition approach and key dates (if required)
Wrap into communications above	Joint announcement to Registrars, Supervisors and Practices on key timelines for registrars and training posts (including notice to re-enrol/ placement application with GPEX) and notified of joint placement process and direction to re-enrol and submit GP applications for 2023.1
5 April – 10 May 2022	ACRRM assessment enrolments open for MCQ and Mock exams
May 2022	ACRRM announcement to GPEX on key roles expected to open for recruitment in September for November start (noting this is dependent on ACRRMs GoG outcome)
May 2022	GPEX communications plan roll out
2 July 2022	ACRRM AST EM StAMPS assessment
20 July 2022	ACRRM MCQ Assessment
1-29 August 2022	2 nd Intake for 2023.1 AGPT applications period
5 August 2022	2023.1 AGPT Acceptance of offer due
6-7 August 2022	ACRRM Mock StAMPS
19 August 2022	2023.1 AGPT selection results provided to GPEX
30 August 2022	GPEX data upload on all assessments to ACRRM Teams share
September 2022	GPEX registrar onboarding (tied into placements interviews)
September – December 2022	Registrar education and training audit and outcomes communicated
1 September 2022	ACRRM commence operational mirroring/oversight with GPEX
5-30 September 2022	Practices to update capacity with GPEX for the 2023.1 term
12-30 September 2022	2023.1 Registrar re-enrolment opens (registrar placement survey)
30 September 2022	Deadline for practices to update training capacity for the 2023.1 term



30 September 2022	2023.1 Registrar placement survey closes
1 October 2022	ACRRM recruitment for regional roles for delivery finalised in conjunction with GPEX
1 October 2022	Regional role contracts offered through ACRRM
4-28 October 2022	GPEX and ACRRM joint placement and contracting process begins with Practices- allocation of interviews
4-30 October 2022	Bookings open for ACRRM Training Officer and Medical educator sessions for new registrars
12-15 October 2022	ACRRM RMA
22-23 October 2022	ACRRM Core Generalist Training (CGT) examination
31 October – 18 November 2022	Placement interviews- practices and registrars
12-13 November 2022	AST EM StAMPS
15 November 2022	Joint announcement on transition progress and key milestones in Q4 including introductions to newly appointed roles
17 November 2022	2 nd intake AGPT 2023.1 offers released
18 November – 7 December 2022	Finalise placements and MPN Provider numbers (deadline 16 December)
25 November 2022	AGPT 2023.2 acceptance of offers due
26 November 2022	AST (all other) StAMPS examinations
ACRRM to confirm	ACRRM First Intake AGPT 2024 Cohort
December 2022	Bookings open for ACRRM Training Officer and Medical educator sessions for existing registrars
December 2022	Bookings open for Registrar Orientation sessions
December 2022	ACRRM Registrar Committee Orientation sessions held
December 2022	Registrars and Supervisors invited to ACRRM Regional education sessions for 2023.
8 December 2022	CGT StAMPS results released



15 December 2022	All AST Exam results released
16 December 2022	Deadline for Medicare Provider Number paperwork
2 January 2023	Registrars invited to enrol in ACRRM LMS (Learning Management System)
1 February 2023	ACRRM MiniCEX and clinical visits begin for SA registrars
1 February 2023	Registrar/ Practice and Supervisor payments begin through Services Australia
1 February 2023	Nationally Consistent Payment Framework effective
1 February 2023	ACRRM orientation for 2023.1
1-28 February 2023	Final reconciliation payments made to practices for 2022.2 placements
5 February 2023	ACRRM commencement of training- end of GPEX semester 2
6 February 2023	2023.1 AGPT training commences
March 2023	ACRRM National Education Workshop

