



**Transition plan**  
1<sup>st</sup> February 2023

# AGPT transition





## Foreword

ACRRM and GPTQ have worked to co-design this plan for the transition of the Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) program from GPTQ 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: 18 August 2022

Signed for and on behalf of:



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## Transition Analysis

Option	Description	Opportunities	Risks	Comments
<p><b>Transition of all registrars at a single point in time</b></p> <p><b>1 February 2023</b></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 GPTQ 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 GPTQ'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 GPTQ 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 GPTQ payments to go ahead in July, then ACRRM take on practice contracts for the following term.</p>



## Alignment Phases:



Phase	Activity/Milestone
<b>Phase 1 – Initiation, Planning and Engagement</b> <b>April 2022 onward</b> <b>(Semester 2022.2)</b>	Project planning and establishment including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Formation of ACRRM and GPTQ Project Working Group</li> <li>• Workshopping and development of key milestones, timeframes and deliverables</li> <li>• Development of Activity Work Plan</li> </ul>
	Finalised approach to transition confirmed
	ACRRM recruitment of key resources for training delivery
	Training data sharing between ACRRM and GPTQ to enable smooth transition of education and related activities
	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 GPTQ) and notified of joint placement process
<b>Phase 2 –ACRRM Mirroring Operations</b> <b>May/June 2022 onward</b>	ACRRM to take on operational role in conjunction with GPTQ to direct 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 GPTQ on placement and accreditation processes to ensure seamless handover and reduce duplication
<b>Phase 3 – ACRRM Management</b> <b>23 January 2023 onward</b> <b>(Semester 2023.1)</b>	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
	Reporting on outcomes of transition provided to Department and key stakeholders



## Key Dates and Activity Milestones

Date	Activity/Milestone
<b>5 April – 10 May 2022</b>	ACRRM assessment enrolments open for MCQ and Mock exams
<b>May 2022</b>	GPTQ and ACRRM joint placement and contracting process begins with Practices
<b>May 2022</b>	ACRRM commence operational mirroring/oversight with GPTQ
<b>14 May 2022</b>	Practices to update capacity with GPTQ for the 2023.1 term
<b>End of May 2022</b>	Joint announcement of transition approach and key dates (if required)
<b>June 2022</b>	ACRRM announcement to GPTQ on key roles expected to open for recruitment in September for November start (noting this is dependent on ACRRMs GoG outcome)
<b>June - July 2022</b>	Joint announcement to Registrars, Supervisors and Practices on key timelines for registrars and training posts (including notice to re-enrol/ placement application with GPTQ) and notified of joint placement process and direction to re-enrol and submit GP applications for 2023.1
<b>11 June 2022</b>	Deadline for practices to update training capacity for the 2023.1 term
<b>11 June 2022</b>	Practices notified of 2023.1 training capacity caps
<b>18 June 2022</b>	2023.1 term placement lists open for application
<b>18 June – 4 July 2022</b>	2023.1 Registrar re-enrolment opens
<b>2 July 2022</b>	ACRRM AST EM StAMPS assessment
<b>20 July 2022</b>	ACRRM MCQ Assessment
<b>1-29 August 2022</b>	2023.2 AGPT applications period
<b>5 August 2022</b>	2023.1 AGPT Acceptance of offer due
<b>6-7 August 2022</b>	ACRRM Mock StAMPS
<b>19 August 2022</b>	2023.1 AGPT selection results provided to GPTQ
<b>September 2022</b>	Regional role contracts offered through ACRRM



<b>September – October 2022</b>	Release education program
<b>30 September 2022</b>	ACRRM recruitment for regional roles for delivery finalised in conjunction with GPTQ
<b>12-15 October 2022</b>	ACRRM RMA
<b>22-23 October 2022</b>	ACRRM Core Generalist Training (CGT) examination
<b>12-13 November 2022</b>	AST EM StAMPS
<b>15 November 2022</b>	Joint announcement on transition progress and key milestones in Q4 including introductions to newly appointed roles
<b>17 November 2022</b>	AGPT 2023.2 offers released
<b>25 November 2022</b>	AGPT 2023.2 acceptance of offers due
<b>26 November 2022</b>	AST (all other) StAMPS examinations
<b>ACRRM to confirm</b>	ACRRM First Intake AGPT 2024 Cohort
<b>December 2022</b>	Bookings open for ACRRM Training Officer and Medical educator sessions
<b>December 2022</b>	Bookings open for all ACRRM Registrar Orientation sessions (target new registrars)
<b>December 2022</b>	ACRRM Registrar Committee Orientation sessions held
<b>December 2022</b>	Registrars and Supervisors invited to ACRRM Regional education sessions for 2022.
<b>8 December 2022</b>	CGT StAMPS results released
<b>15 December 2022</b>	All AST Exam results released
<b>15 December 2022</b>	Registrars invited to enrol in ACRRM LMS (Learning Management System)
<b>mid- December 2022</b>	Deadline for Medicare Provider Number paperwork
<b>23 January 2023</b>	Nationally Consistent Payment Framework effective
<b>23 January 2023</b>	ACRRM commencement of training



<b>23 January 2023</b>	2023.1 AGPT training commences
<b>1 February 2023</b>	ACRRM MiniCEX and clinical visits begin for GPTQ registrars
<b>1 February 2023</b>	Registrar/ Practice and Supervisor payments begin through Services Australia
<b>March 2023</b>	ACRRM National Education Workshop
<b>31 March 2023</b>	Final reconciliation payments made to practices for 2022B placements

