

Information Sheet

Recent Changes to RCPA CPDP requirements

Joint/Dual Fellows in Australia and New Zealand

Commencing in the 2016 CPDP year (for returns in 2017) submissions by Joint/Dual Fellows regarding participation in a program with another College/organisation will not be accepted as complying with RCPA requirements. All Fellows and Medical and Dental Faculty Fellows must participate in the RCPA CPDP as set out in the CPDP Policy and Manual, taking into account their scope and recency of practice.

Overseas Fellows

Fellows who live in countries other than Australia and New Zealand and are not registered to practice medicine in Australia and or New Zealand may participate in their country of domicile Pathology College/Organisation's CPD Program. If, however they wish to apply for Medical Registration in Australia or New Zealand, the College will only support this application if they can demonstrate at least 12 months of compliance with RCPA CPD requirements. Fellows who live in countries other than Australia and New Zealand and are registered to practice medicine in Australia and or New Zealand must participate in the RCPA CPD program.

Quality Activities

Commencing in the 2017 CPDP year (for returns in 2018) all Fellows and Medical and Dental Faculty Fellows must participate in a minimum of 10 hours of peer review activities in addition to the current 10 hours of quality activities under Section C of the CPDP Manual. Suitable examples of peer review activities can be found in the Internal Quality Assurance Frameworks developed for each discipline available on the IQA section of the College website.

Commencing in the 2016 CPDP year (for returns in 2017) all Fellows and Medical and Dental Faculty Fellows must individually participate in External Quality Assurance activities where appropriate activities/ programs exist for that Fellow's or Faculty Fellow's scope of practice. Individual enrolment in such programs is not required. Examples of some such programs for reference will be placed on the College website.