

## Guideline

**Subject: Eligibility for Retrospective and Prospective Accreditation of Training**  
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The Board of Education and Assessment may approve periods of training that are undertaken outside a discipline specific pathology training program. Such training may be approved retrospectively, by application at the time of initial registration, or prospectively by registered Trainees wishing to vary their program.

Accreditation of training is considered on an individual basis. However, the following guidelines apply.

### Retrospective Accreditation of Training

- Trainees in a Joint Training Program with the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP) are automatically accredited one year of their Basic Physician Training.
- Training undertaken in another specialist training program may be recognised providing the specialty is relevant to pathology.
- Training undertaken in an undergraduate program would not generally be recognised. However, training undertaken at Honours level or in thesis/degree by research may be recognised if relevant to pathology.

### Prospective Accreditation of Training

- Up to one year's training in clinical medicine relevant to pathology may be approved.
- Up to one year's training in research related to pathology may be approved.
- Up to one year's training in a subdiscipline of pathology different from the primary training discipline may be approved.

In approving the above options, the total time spent in direct pathology training must be taken into account.