



Australian College of  
Rural & Remote Medicine  
WORLD LEADERS IN RURAL PRACTICE



# Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) Program:

## Application and Selection Process

### 1 Apply online through your preferred College/s

You apply to the AGPT Program through the College that you wish to achieve Fellowship with. If you wish to undertake a dual Fellowship you will need to apply to both colleges, and nominate the same training region and rural pathway preferences for both Colleges.

Applications are open 10:00am AEDT Monday 26 March 2018 to 10:00am AEST Monday 30 April 2018. Please note the variance if you are in a different time zone.

Access to the application form can be found at the Colleges website:

RACGP [www.racgp.org.au/agpt](http://www.racgp.org.au/agpt)

ACRRM [www.acrrm.org.au/agpt](http://www.acrrm.org.au/agpt)

### 2 Determine the appropriate pathway— rural or general

Applicants for the AGPT Program must nominate either the general or rural pathway for each training region preference. Please refer to the Eligibility Guide for further information.

The general pathway is for doctors who wish to train primarily in inner and/or outer metropolitan areas. Doctors on the general pathway can train in ASGC-RA 1–5 areas.

Doctors who train on the rural pathway generally undertake all of their training in rural and remote areas of Australia (defined as ASGC-RA 2–5).

To view an interactive map and search ASGC-RA areas visit the DoctorConnect website at <http://www.doctorconnect.gov.au/locator>

Further information about Section 19AB of the *Health Insurance Act 1973* can be found in the *AGPT Eligibility Guide* available at [www.agpt.com.au](http://www.agpt.com.au).

### 3 Choose your preferred training region and pathways

The Department of Health contracts nine Regional Training Organisations (RTO) to deliver the AGPT Program. Each of the nine RTOs occupies one or more training regions throughout Australia.

A map of the training regions can be found at [www.agpt.com.au/Training-organisations/Training-Regions](http://www.agpt.com.au/Training-organisations/Training-Regions)

Applicants nominate their preferred training region/s; however they aren't typically able to choose a specific location within that training region to undertake their training.

Applicants are encouraged to choose up to four training region preferences. Applicants should choose training region/s they wish to train in, for the duration of their AGPT training.

Applicants are only able to accept training place offers in one training region/pathway.

An applicant's eligibility will be assessed for the AGPT Program's 2019 intake by the Department of Health. It is recommended that applicants read the AGPT Eligibility Guide at [www.agpt.com.au](http://www.agpt.com.au) for detailed information on eligibility.

✓ Eligible applicants details will be released to the College/s who will contact applicants

✗ Ineligible applicants will be notified via email by the Department of Health

Applicants are encouraged to review their preferred RTO/s websites, or contact them directly, for further information.

A list of RTOs and training regions is available on the AGPT website at <http://www.agpt.com.au/Training-organisations/Existing-Training-Organisations-by-State/Territory/copy-of-Regional-Training-Providers>

### 4 Eligible applicants pay the College application fee and participate in the College selection assessment process

#### RACGP

- A non-refundable \$725 application fee
- Responsible for 90% of training places nationally
- Offers general and rural pathway training places
- Candidate Assessment and Applied Knowledge Test (CAAKT) computer based assessment
- Interviews

#### ACRRM

- A non-refundable \$700 application fee
- Responsible for 10% of training places nationally
- Offers rural pathway training places
- Written submissions must be completed before the closing date of the AGPT application
- Referee reports
- Interviews

### 5 Training Place Offers

Applicants will be shortlisted to their highest available training region preference, for training place offer consideration.

Regional training organisations will advise applicants if they have received a training place offer.

✓ Successful applicants have seven days to accept or reject the offer of a training place.

✗ Unsuccessful applicants may participate in new intakes in the same application year, should they be available. There is no guarantee of further intakes.

## Further Information

AGPT Eligibility and application questions  
RACGP selection and assessment processes  
ACRRM selection and assessment processes  
Training region specific questions

Department of Health: [www.agpt.com.au](http://www.agpt.com.au)  
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