

Advanced Training in Rheumatology Accreditation Assessment Form

This form is used to collect background information of a training setting as part of the accreditation review process and should be used in conjunction with the <u>Criteria for Accreditation of Rheumatology Core Training Settings</u>.

This form should be completed by the Head of Unit/Department and/or training supervisor. Please complete this form electronically and return as a Word document via email to accreditation@racp.edu.au.

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General Information						
Date of accreditate	ion assessment:	1	1			
Accreditation asse	essment type:	site visit		paper assessment		
Hospital name:						
Hospital address:						
Head of Departme	ent or site contact:					
Phone number:			Email:			
Training alliance of (if applicable):	or area health service		1			
Type of accredita	ation requested					
☐ First time accre	editation		☐ Routine reaccreditation			
☐ Request for ad	ditional training position	/s	Request for additional training duration			
Current accredita	ation status (if applicat	ole)				
Number of accred	ited training positions:					
Date of last accred	ditation assessment:					
Please indicate if any supporting documentation is attached separately to this form:						
Weekly timetable for each trainee						
Logbook for each trainee						
Department m	neeting schedule highligh	3. Department meeting schedule highlighting each trainee's presentations				

State of each trainee's attendance and participation in state, regional and/or national rheumatology educational activities						
Name of current trainee/s at th	e setting:					
Please indicate whether each tra provide their year of entry to the			as a supernumerary,	and		
	Existing Position	Supernumerary	Year:			
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Overseas Training Setting	gs					
Please complete this section if you Australasia).	ou are applying for accre	editation of an overseas tra	ining setting (outside o	of		
Overseas training settings are reform.	ecommended to provide	a cover letter and job desc	ription in addition to th	is		
Please detail the training programe histology and grand rounds, how			ournal clubs, x-ray or			
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Please detail other site facilities	available to trainees:					

1. Supervision

RACP STANDARDS

- 1.1 There is a designated supervisor for each Trainee.
- 1.2 Trainees have access to supervision, with regular meetings.
- 1.3 Supervisors are RACP approved and meeting any other specialty specific requirements regarding qualifications for supervisors.
- 1.4 Supervisors are supported by the training setting or network to be given the time and resources to meeting RACP supervision requirements and criteria.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN RHEUMATOLOGY

- **1.1.1** Each trainee has two supervisors, at least one of whom is a rheumatologist.
- **1.2.1** An Advanced Trainee in rheumatology should have access to three rheumatology consultants (two in paediatrics) on clinical service, whether outpatient or inpatient, with one readily contactable at all times and available on site as required each day.
- **1.2.2** Regular independent meetings with both supervisors will occur. A meeting with at least one supervisor will occur every three months.
- **1.3.1** Supervisors will be a Fellow of the RACP in the appropriate division, or equivalent, with at least one supervisor who is a member of the Australia Rheumatology Association (ARA)/New Zealand Rheumatology Association (NZRA).
- **1.3.2** Supervisors will have attended a RACP Supervisor Workshop within the last five years or intends to attend within six months of commencing as a supervisor.
- **1.4.1** Consultants have a proportion of non-clinical administration time, part of which can be directed to the supervisor of trainees.

Number of trainees/Expected n				
Medical Staff in Rheumatolog	gy (consultant physicians)		
Name	Accredited rheumatology supervisor (please tick)	Total onsite FTE %	Rheumatologists onsite FTE %	Hours per weeks available for supervision

Does/Will each trainee have a	consultant v	who is readily co	ontactable at	all times	? Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
Have the supervisors attended years? (If you are unsure, please						No 🗌	
If no, please detail:							
Please detail supervision arrangements for trainees (e.g. number of ward rounds, number of patients reviewed with consultant, project time, etc.):							
Do consultants have a proportion time to supervise trainees?	on of paid r	ion-clinical admi	inistration	Yes		No 🗌	
If yes, what is the amount of de	edicated tim	e?					
Surveyor Comments (RACP use only)							
Please assess compliance w	ith Standa	rd 1 (Supervisio	on) using the	e matrix	below:		
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- 2.1 There are appropriate facilities and services for the type of work being undertaken.
- 2.2 Each trainee has a designated workspace, including a desk, telephone and IT facilities.
- 2.3 There are facilities and equipment to support educational activities, such as study areas and tutorial rooms.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN RHEUMATOLOGY

- 2.1.1 There is access to imaging facilities, such as MRI, CT scanning, nuclear medicine (including isotope bone scanning), bone mineral density scanning and diagnostic ultrasound, as appropriate to a specialised musculoskeletal service.
- 2.2.1 There is workspace with appropriate facilities in the area where the trainee spends most of their time.
- 2.3.1 There are meeting rooms and other facilities available for multidisciplinary meetings, academic

meetings, rounds and journal clubs.							
Please indicate imaging facilities availa	ble:	On Site	•	Off Site Access			
MRI							
CT Scan							
Ultrasound							
Nuclear Medicine (including isotope bone	scanning)						
Bone Mineral Densitometry (BMD)							
X-ray							
Other							
Please describe workspace available to trainees:							
Please detail IT resources available to trainees:							
Please briefly describe facilities available for teaching and learning (such as meeting rooms):							
Surveyor Comments (RACP use only)							
Please assess compliance with Standard 2 (Facilities and Infrastructure) using the matrix below:							
MATRIX RANKING	1	2 Minor Issues	3	4			

No Significant

Issues

Minor Issues

Moderate

Issues

Severe

Issues

Surveyor assessment (please tick):						
Standard 2 achieve? Yes	Needs improvement [7				
Action/s required:			To be actioned	hy (data):		
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3. Profile of Work						
RACP STANDARD						
3.1 The setting shall provide a suita	ble workload and appr	opriate range o	of work.			
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR AD	VANCED TRAINING IN	RHEUMATOLO	OGY			
 3.1.1 The department will provide exposure to as many of the core training conditions listed in the Rheumatology Advanced Training Curriculum as possible and highlight, in Supervisor's/ Progress Reports for the year, those areas in which exposure needs to be increased. 3.1.2 The department shall facilitate exposure to specialised clinical situations as part of core clinical experience. These may include structured team-based rehabilitation, pain management service (inpatient and/or outpatient), metabolic bone disease clinics, soft tissue rheumatism/musculoskeletal medicine and the use of day care facilities. 						
3.1.3 There is access to allied health	input to patient manager	ment with provis	ion for feedback			
3.1.4 The trainee shall attend a minimum of three rheumatology outpatient clinics each week, with at least one of which will be a general rheumatology clinic, where the trainee is supervised by consultant rheumatologists.						
 3.1.5 Paediatric rheumatology trainees will attend a weekly adult general rheumatology clinic for a minimum of six months during the 24 months of core training time. (This is recommended only for trainees who entered the program from 2026 onwards). 3.1.6 The trainee will be trained in the use of both conventional and biologic DMARDs, including the indications for, the measurement of response to, the risks of and the legislative requirements for prescription of all DMARDs, both as single agents and in combination. 						
3.1.7 The trainee will receive training rheumatic disease, such as tho.			patients with con	nplex		
3.1.8 The training setting can provide Rheumatology Advanced Traini		nent to achieve	the requirements	s of the		
Does the trainee have access to outpa	tient clinics (public or pri	vate)?	Yes 🗌	No 🗌		
If no, please detail:						
Number of general rheumatology cli week:	nics attended by the trai	nee per				

s a consultant rheumatologist present throughout and available for supervision?			Ye	s 🗌	No 🗌
Comment:					
Does the trainee receive exposure to s	pecialised clini	ical situations, inc	cluding:		
1. Inflammatory arthritis including:	:		Specific	or	General Clinic
Rheumatoid arthritis/JIA	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Ankylosing spondylitis/ERA	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Psoriatic arthritis	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Other inflammatory arthritis	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Biologic drugs clinic	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
2. Autoimmune connective tissue	diseases inclu	ıding:	Specific	or	General Clinic
SLE	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Vasculitis	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Scleroderma	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Other:					
Other specialty multidisciplinary trainee has an active role:	/ services in w	hich the	Specific	or	General Clinic
Pain management clinics	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Structured team-based rehabilitation	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Metabolic bone diseases clinic	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Other:					
4. Soft tissue rheumatism includin	g:				
Fibromyalgia	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Musculoskeletal medicine	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Sports medicine	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Other:					
5. Use of day care facilities for:					
Biologic drug infusions	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			
Bisphosphonate infusions	Yes 🗌	No 🗌			

Steroid/Cytotoxic dru	g infusions	Yes 🗌	No [
Other:								
6. Training in injec	tion techniqu	es:						
Intra-articular injectio	ns as per DOF	s requirement (from 2012)		Yes 🗌		1	No 🗌
Soft tissue injections					Yes 🗌		1	No 🗌
Epidural steroid injec	tions				Yes 🗌		1	No 🗌
Radioisotope injection	ns				Yes 🗌		1	No 🗌
Other:								
7. Combined clinic	s with:							
Orthopaedic surgeon	s	Yes 🗌	No [
Plastic surgeons		Yes 🗌	No [
Dermatologists		Yes 🗌	No [
Other:								
Is there a regular mu	Itidisciplinary	team meeting	?					
Yes Frequency	y:							
No Please detail:								
Attendees at multid	isciplinary tea	am meetings:						
Junior Medical Staff		Yes 🗌	No 🗌	Diet	tician	Yes	; <u> </u>	No 🗌
Physiotherapist		Yes 🗌	No 🗌	Psy	chologist	Yes	; <u> </u>	No 🗌
Rheumatology Nurse	:	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	Pod	liatrist	Yes	s 🗌	No 🗌
Occupational Therap	ist	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	Orth	notist	Yes	s 🗌	No 🗌
Medical Social Worke	er	Yes 🗌	No 🗌					
Other:								
Clinics with consult	ant superviso	ors:						
Name of Clinic	Frequency	Number of Patients per Clinic (total)	Number Patients so by Traine	een	Number of Patie seen/reviewed w consultant		Rheu	ame of umatology pervisor

Is each trainee respons	sible for inpati	ent care?			Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
If yes, average number	per week:						
Is each trainee responsible for assessing inpatient referrals?					Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
If yes, average number per week:							
Does each trainee participate in after-hours work?					No 🗌		
(a) Rheumatology as first on-call (with consultant second on-call)					Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
Frequency:							
(b) General Medicine					Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
Frequency:							
Surveyor Comments (RACP use only)							
Please assess compliance with Standard 3.1 (Profile of Work) using the matrix below:							
MATRIX RANKING	;		1 Significant ssues	2 Minor Issues	3 Moderate Issues	4 Severe Issues	
Surveyor assessment	t (please tick):						
Standard 3.1 achieve? Yes Needs improvement							
Action/s required:					To be actioned	d by (date):	

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RACP STANDARD							
3.2 Trainees participate in quality and s	safety activities.						
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN RHEUMATOLOGY							
3.2.1 Regular clinical audit occurs as par activity, a mortality and morbidity re encouraged.							
3.2.2 Each trainee will keep a logbook of their relevant training program hand the RACP, forming part of the trained	dbook, which will be r	eviewed by the					
As part of a quality assurance program, do	oes the trainee partici	pate in:					
Radiology review? Yes ☐ Frequ	Radiology review? Yes Frequency: No						
Pathology review? Yes ☐ Frequency	uency:	No					
Please detail meetings and trainee involvement, and indicate frequency of meetings:							
Has the trainee undertaken a clinical audit	:? Yes 🗌	No 🗌					
If yes, please provide details of clinical aud	dit:						
Please detail the period in which the clinic	al audit was conducte	ed:					
If no, please detail:							
Has each trainee kept a logbook (in the ap	pproved format) of all	patients seen?	Yes No	N/A			
If yes, please detail period covered:							
Has the logbook been reviewed by a supe	rvisor? Yes	No 🗌					
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Surveyor Comments (RACP use on	ly)						
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Please assess compliance with Standa	ra 3.2 (Profile of Wo	rk) using the m	natrix below:				
MATRIX RANKING	1	7	3	1			

	No Significant Issues	Minor Issues	Moderate Issues	Severe Issues					
Surveyor assessment (please tick):									
Standard 3.2 achieve? Yes \(\scale= \)	leeds improvement [
Action/s required:			To be actioned	by (date):					
RACP STANDARD									
3.3 There is capacity for project work (including research)	and ongoing tr	aining.						
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVA	NCED TRAINING IN	RHEUMATOLO	GY						
3.3.1 The department will have a commit	3.3.1 The department will have a commitment to research to which the trainee is expected to contribute.								
Is the department involved in research? Yes No No									
Comment:									
Is each trainee able to contribute to research? Yes No									
Comment:									
Please provide details of each trainee's in	volvement:								
Places describe each traines's project									
Please describe each trainee's project:									
Surveyor Comments (RACP use only)									
Please assess compliance with Standard 3.3 (Profile of Work) using the matrix below:									
MATRIX RANKING	1 No Significant	2 Minor Issues	3 Moderate	4 Sovere					
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Surveyor assessment (please tick):									
Standard 3.3 achieve? Yes \(\scale= \)	leeds improvement [

Action/s required:	To be actioned by (date):

4. Teaching and Learning

RACP STANDARD

- 4.1 There is an established training program or educational activities, such as multidisciplinary meetings, academic meetings, rounds, and journal clubs.
- 4.2 There are opportunities to attend external education activities as required.
- 4.3 There is access to sources of information, both physical and online, including a medical library or e-library facility appropriately equipped for physician training.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN RHEUMATOLOGY

- **4.1.1** There must be ongoing weekly clinical meetings on site, including provision for journal club, case presentation, and pathology and radiology meetings.
- **4.1.2** Attendance and participation in hospital meetings (e.g. Department of Medicine and hospital grand rounds) is facilitated.
- **4.1.3** Trainees have the opportunity to teach junior colleagues, undergraduates and other health professionals, as well as contribute to educational sessions.
- **4.2.1** Trainees are encouraged to attend academic or other conferences/meetings.
- 4.2.2 Attendance at the ARA/NZRA Annual Scientific Meeting and Preceptorship (if held) is facilitated.
- **4.2.3** Each trainee is supported to achieve any national and/or international meeting and conference attendance requirements outlined in their relevant training program handbook.
- **4.3.1** The trainee shall be provided with access to information resources.

Session	On site	Frequency	Duration	Trainee attendance/involvement/additional information
Rheumatology department				
Case presentation				
Journal club				
General Medicine				
Rheumatology presentation at grand rounds				
Junior medical staff teaching				

Undergraduate teaching							
Lab interface learning							
Clinical trials and statistics learning							
Are trainees able to attend ac	ademic o	r other conferer	nces/me	etings?			
ARA/NZRA ASM:						Yes 🗌	No 🗌
State or regional scientific ARA/NZRA meetings:					Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
State or regional and nationa	l clinical n	neetings and tea	aching se	essions:		Yes 🗌	No 🗌
Other:							
International rheumatology co	onference	s:				Yes 🗌	No 🗌
Does the trainee receive final international meetings?	ncial supp	ort for attendan	ice at reg	gional, nati	ional o	r Yes 🗌	No 🗌
By whom?							
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Surveyor Comments (RA	CP use	only)					
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5.1 There are workplace policies covering the safety and wellbeing of trainees.5.2 There is a formal induction/orientation process for trainees.					
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN RHEUMATOLOGY					
5.1.1 Sites must ensure that there is comprocedures in place.	pliance with state and	d/or hospital hea	alth and safety p	olicies and	
5.1.2 The workplace has an occupational environment of its service.	health and safety po	licy appropriate	to the activities	and	
5.2.1 Supervisors or designees provide a within the first week of commencem		n into training at	t the setting to n	ew trainees	
Are trainees aware of relevant health and than those required by legislation:	Are trainees aware of relevant health and safety policies and procedures? Please describe any policies other than those required by legislation:				
Do trainees receive an induction/orientation	n within their first we	ek of training?	Yes 🗌	No 🗌	
Comment:					
Surveyor Comments (RACP use onl	y)				
Please assess compliance with Standar	rd 5 (Support Servic	ces for Trainees	s) using the ma	trix below:	
MATRIX RANKING	1 No Significant Issues	2 Minor Issues	3 Moderate Issues	4 Severe Issues	
Surveyor assessment (please tick):					
Standard 5 achieve? Yes Needs improvement					
Action/s required:			To be actioned	by (date):	

Accreditation Decision (RACP use only)						
Hospital name:						
Head of Department:						
Lead in Accreditation:						
Type of accreditation review:	Site visit] Pap	er assessment			
Please assess the compliance with the	ne RACP stand	dards using	the matrix below	<i>I</i> :.		
RACP Standard		1 gnificant sues	2 Minor Issues	3 Moderate Issues	_	4 Severe ssues
1. Supervision						
2. Facilities and Infrastructure						
3. Profile of Work						
4. Teaching and Learning						
5. Support Services						
Overall recommendations (These are the recommendations determined by the accreditation assessors. The Advanced Training Committee (ATC) in Rheumatology is responsible for the final accreditation decision.)						
Accreditation status						
Not accredited			Accredited			
Provisional accreditation (pending trainee feedback/further ass		Conditional accreditation (action/s required)				
Accreditation duration (maximum	three years):				•	
Maximum number of trainees:						
Maximum core training at the site:						
Year of next review:						
Type of next review: Site visit	P	aper assess	sment			
Action/s required:				To be actioned	d by ((date):

Accreditation assessor one:	
Accreditation assessor two:	
Date report completed:	