



Terms of Reference

Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine Education Committee

TERMS OF REFERENCE PURSUANT TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE AUSTRALASIAN FACULTY OF REHABILITATION MEDICINE COUNCIL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A COMMITTEE TO BE KNOWN AS THE AUSTRALASIAN FACULTY OF REHABILITATION MEDICINE EDUCATION COMMITTEE





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1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

1.1. The Australasian Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine (AFRM) Council, pursuant to its By-Laws, has established the AFRM Education Committee.

1.2. The AFRM Education Committee has been established to:

- 1.2.1. implement College Education Policy as approved by the College Education Committee (CEC) in the Faculty;
- 1.2.2. implement the College's Strategic Direction in relation to education in the Faculty;
- 1.2.3. ensure standardisation in training delivery;
- 1.2.4. ensure all forms of assessment are conducted fairly, efficiently, in a transparent manner, and in accordance with standards;
- 1.2.5. ensure accreditation is conducted fairly, efficiently, in a transparent manner and in accordance with standards;
- 1.2.6. advise CEC on education policy and program development for the Faculty Training program, as appropriate;
- 1.2.7. consider speciality specific CPD and other educational resources for members, as appropriate;
- 1.2.8. work collaboratively with stakeholders on education development and delivery;
- 1.2.9. monitor training program requirements and curricular, recommending changes to the College Education Committee, and;
- 1.2.10. confirm completion of training requirements to progress to Fellowship;
- 1.2.11. undertake other functions as required by the Faculty Council or Board. This may include acting as a Review Committee pursuant to the Reconsideration, Review and Appeal By-Law and/or independently considering subordinate committee decisions relating to individual trainee or Fellow progress.

1.3. The Committee must not:

- 1.3.1. enter into contractual relationships;
- 1.3.2. represent or imply in any way that the committee is a body independent of the College; or
- 1.3.3. form education policy independent of the CEC.

1.4. Composition of the Committee

The Committee shall comprise up to 10 members. The members shall include:

- 1.4.1. a Chair appointed by the AFRM Council;
- 1.4.2. an elected Deputy Chair
- 1.4.3. a Fellow representing New Zealand interests;
- 1.4.4. the Chair or permanent delegate of the AFRM Assessment Committee;
- 1.4.5. the Chair or permanent delegate of the AFRM Training Committee;
- 1.4.6. the Chair or permanent delegate of the AFRM Training Committee (Paediatrics);
- 1.4.7. a member who is allocated responsibility for CPD;
- 1.4.8. a member who is allocated responsibility for OTP;
- 1.4.9. an AFRM trainee, who is the Chair or delegate of the AFRM Trainee Committee.





1.5. Meetings

The committee shall meet twice annually face to face with an additional four teleconference meetings if required. Additional meetings will require approval from the AFRM President and Director of Education.

1.6. Subcommittees and Working Groups

- 1.6.1. The AFRM Education Committee will establish the following standing Committees to consider relevant issues in more detail:
 - 1.6.1.1. the AFRM Assessment Committee;
 - 1.6.1.2. the AFRM Training Committee; and
 - 1.6.1.3. The AFRM Training Committee (Paediatrics).
- 1.6.2. In addition the AFRM Education Committee will have oversight for the AFRM representatives on the:
 - 1.6.2.1. Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Committee; and
 - 1.6.2.2. Overseas Trained Physicians (OTP) Assessment Committee.
- 1.6.3. The Committee may, subject to AFRM President and Director of Education approval, create such other time-limited or specific purpose working groups as the Committee may determine necessary from time to time.

2. TERM OF OFFICE

- **2.1.** Members of the Committee shall be appointed in accordance with the process for the appointment of members to College Bodies as set out in the Governance of College Bodies By-law or any by-law or document that replaces or complements that By-law from time to time.
- **2.2.** The term of membership for nominated positions to the committee shall be two years and members are eligible for, but not entitled to, re-appointment for a further two year term up to a maximum of three (3) two year terms of continuous appointment.

3. REPORTING

- **3.1.** The Committee is a Committee of **AFRM Council** and must report to them as required. This includes reporting biannually to AFRM Council and CEC on issues arising from Reviews and on the trainee and OTP formative and summative assessment results.
- **3.2.** The Committee may make exception reports to the AFRM Council and CEC to address emergent or risk management issues as required.

4. **DEFINITIONS**

"Board" means the Board of Directors of the College.

"College" means the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (ACN 000

039 047), an incorporated body limited by guarantee and includes the Divisions, Faculties and Chapters of the College.

"College Education Policy" means education program rules approved by the College

Education Committee or College Board.





"Constitution" means the Constitution of the College as amended from time to

time.

"Fellow" has the same meaning as defined in the College's Constitution,

including Honorary Fellows.

"Trainee" means a person who is undertaking a program of Training

approved by the College in order to gain Fellowship or a

Diploma.

"Co-opted member" from time to time a College Body may require the contribution of

person who has particular expertise to assist the College Body in its deliberations. To achieve this, College Bodies are able to co-

opt members for a specified time or for a specified task.

Approved by AFRM Council on 6 March 2015.

By-Law History as from 6 March 2015. Commencement of By-Law				
date.				
Subsequent amendments to By-Law				
Item	Amendment	Commenced		
1.2.10	Addition of confirmation of completion of training requirements to progress to Fellowship.	17 June 2017		