

Environmental Sustainability in Quality Improvement for Healthcare – Short Course



Healthcare contributes 5.5% to Australia's carbon emissions. Learn how we can help the health system transition to net zero emissions!

About the course

The course provides a comprehensive introduction to the links between health, healthcare and the environment. It introduces quality as a tool to create more environmentally and socially sustainable healthcare services, using the Sustainability in Quality Improvement (SusQI) approach.

Designed specifically for RACP trainees, you will learn from expert academics and health service professionals with extensive experience in these fields.

Delivered online, it is paced as a 5-week course over 7 weeks. Two breaks will allow trainees to consolidate learning. An optional additional session supports participants to develop a proposal for a workplace project.

What is SusQI?

SusQI recognises there are finite environmental, social and financial resources available to deliver a high standard of healthcare. The Centre for Sustainable Healthcare (UK) has developed a 4-step approach to incorporating environmental sustainability into quality improvement for health services and this is the focus of the course.

Who is this for?

This program is aimed at all RACP trainees particularly those in STP, private and/or rural settings who:

- ✓ Are interested in environmentally, socially, and financially sustainable healthcare.
- ✓ Want to contribute to environmentally sustainable healthcare through quality improvement activities.
- ✓ Are looking for a project to meet training requirements.

Trainee supervisors can use supervision of a SusQI project for CPD hours.

Course delivery

Delivered online each session is for 2 hours.

Course sessions cover:

- Climate change and healthcare – why it matters.
- Quality improvement projects and healthcare.
- The SusQI approach – introduction to the 4-step model.
- SusQI in action – example case studies.
- Trainee SusQI proposal ideas.

Optional session:

- Next steps – how to action a SusQI project.

Asynchronous course – work at own pace, July through to end of August
or

Last synchronous course - delivery begins 14 July 2026, Tuesdays 6-8pm AEST, 6 sessions over 8 week period

There is no cost to participants. Certificate of attendance is provided on completion.

To register interest for one of these courses and find out more

Scan the QR code to express your interest in these courses.



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The University of Notre Dame Australia is a SusQI Beacon site.

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