

# *2021 RACGP faculty elections*

## *Frequently asked questions*

### **Who can be nominated?**

Only Fellows, Members and Registrar Associates can be nominated to be Faculty Council members (with the exception of the National Faculty of GPs in Training).

Only Fellows\* and Registrar Associates can be nominated to be National Faculty GPs in Training Council members.

\*Only Fellows of less than 5 years post-Fellowship qualification may be nominated.

### **Who can support nominations?**

Only Fellows, Members and Registrar Associates can support nominations for Faculty Council members (with the exception of the National Faculty of GPs in Training).

Only Fellows\* and Registrar Associates can support nominations for National Faculty GPs in Training Council members.

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### **How do I nominate?**

Eligible members must complete a [nomination form](#) and submit this to [elections@racgp.org.au](mailto:elections@racgp.org.au)

Before you start your nomination form, please read the [RACGP elections policy](#) and view the [list of current electorates](#) up for election in 2021.

### **Can I vote?**

The Faculty's Fellows, Members and Registrar Associates elect Faculty Councillors. Once elected, the Councillors will meet to elect a Faculty Chair who will become a Director on the RACGP Board.

### **How do I vote?**

Eligible members in contested electorates will be invited to vote in their faculty council election from Monday 9 August 2021.

What is the timetable for the election process?

- Monday 5 July: Faculty nominations open

- Monday 2 August: Faculty nominations close
- Monday 9 August to Monday 23 August: Voting period for contested faculty electorates
- Friday 27 August: Elected Councillors announced
- 30 August – 30 September: Election of office bearers at faculty member meetings
- 4 October: New faculty chairs announced

### **Where is the elections policy?**

The RACGP elections policy is available on the [RACGP website](#).

### **How are faculty council chairs voted in?**

Voting for faculty chairs are voted for by elected representative council members at the first faculty council meeting of the year which occurs after the Faculty Member Meeting, usually in September.

### **When are the faculty council chairs appointed?**

Chairs will be appointed or reappointed at the RACGP Annual General Meeting.

### **How does the RACGP support Faculty Council members?**

Faculty councillors are supported to attend up to two face to face council meetings per year. All other meetings are digital. All administrative requirements of the faculty council are supported by the faculty. In some cases, faculty councillors are offered a small remuneration for specific representations.

### **What are the key requirements of Faculty Council members?**

Faculty Council members are called upon to represent the membership who elected them. These representations take the form of:

- Input into developing RACGP policy at both the state and national level
- Attendance at faculty council meetings
- Advocacy for the faculty and the RACGP in stakeholder and political engagements at both state and federal level
- Act as a sounding board and key influencer with members and stakeholders around the perception of GPs and general practice within the community.