

Position Title	Principal Medical Education Advisor	Reporting to	General Manager – Fellowship Pathways
Department	Fellowship Pathways	Direct reports	Not applicable
Classification	Agreed Rate	Employment Status	Part Time Fixed Term (0.6 FTE) until 31 December 2021
Position Number		Date	October 2019

The Organisation

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) is Australia's largest professional membership body for general practitioners (GPs). We represent over 40 000 members including urban and rural GPs, medical students and registrars.

The RACGP's mission is to support GPs in improving the health and wellbeing of all Australians, "Healthy Profession. Healthy Australia." We provide skills and knowledge assessment, educational training and ongoing professional development for practising GPs. We develop resources and guidelines, help GPs with issues that affect their practice, support research to link members with the latest advancements in the field and advocate on behalf of the general practice profession to set and maintain standards of high quality health care for Australians.

Our Values

RACGP Staff are expected to uphold our workplace values:



Progressive leadership Forward thinking and proactive leaders who lead by example and empower staff to create and drive innovation



Quality Honouring our Organisational Vision and Mission Statement by constantly striving for excellence in service delivery and advancement in the field



Ethics Committed to acting with morality, integrity and transparency in serving the best interests of all stakeholders



Professionalism Dedicated professionals who respect and collaborate with others and are fully accountable for their actions.

Your Team

The Fellowship Pathways Division maintains services, standards and processes to ensure consistent and high quality delivery of training across all RACGP Fellowship pathways. This includes Australian General Practice Training (AGPT) Program, the Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS), the Practice Experience Program (PEP), the General Practice Experience (GPE) Pathway (ending 2022), and Rural Generalism Pathway (once established). It encompasses all trainee journeys toward RACGP Fellowship. The Division has major responsibility for establishing cooperative working relationships with a range of external organisations, such as Regional Training Organisations (RTOs), the Remote Vocational Training Scheme Ltd, Government agencies and recognised representative bodies, including General Practice Supervisors' Association (GPSA), and General Practice Registrars' Association (GPRA).

Your Role

Reporting directly to the General Manager Fellowship Pathways the Principal Medical Education Advisor (PMEA) is responsible for the provision of advice and the delivery of major projects concerned with the transition, development, implementation, maintenance and evaluation of the RACGP's pathways (i.e. the Australian General Practice Training program, the Remote Vocational Training Scheme and the Practice Experience Program). The PMEA works closely with senior staff within Fellowship Pathways, Education Services, across other RACGP divisions and a wide range of external partners and stakeholders as required.

The role focuses upon the development and implementation of the pre-vocational education delivery plan and includes the provision of robust, well-researched and timely policy advice to the General Manager Fellowship Pathways and/or the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and indirectly to the Board. The role has particular emphasis on rationalising the Fellowship pathways to Specialist Vocational Registration.

Implicit in the role is consideration of how learning and assessment is delivered throughout the professional lifecycle of the general practitioner including pre-general practice, general practice under supervision and general practice post-fellowship. The emphasis being to ensure that progression of knowledge and skills are enabled and recorded within a consistent and longitudinal structure governed by a comprehensive policy framework, quality service delivery, coordinated provider networks, directed resource deployment and purposeful cost structure/budget maintenance. It is expected that the role will interface with all Fellowship Pathways functions and work closely with Education Services.

The role has a direct reporting line to the General Manager Fellowship Pathways.

Key Responsibilities

1. Advise the General Manager Fellowship Pathways on major and complex education projects encompassing the stages of creation, development, delivery and life-cycle evaluation.
2. Provide specialist general practice education and training advice particularly in relation to Australian General Practice Training, the Remote Vocational Training Scheme and the Practice Experience program.
3. Ensure evidence and systems are in place for robust reporting of educational governance and quality assurance measures as required.
4. Support the formulation of long-term strategic plans to improve RACGP education and training offerings.
5. Assess information being presented domestically and internationally on medical education developments and the applicability to the RACGP framework.
6. Contribute towards stakeholder consultations and relationships including representing and presenting the work of Fellowship Pathways at workshops, seminars, conferences and meetings.
7. Work with the PMEA in the Education Services Division to gather and integrate information, facilitating vertical and horizontal linkages across RACGP projects and teams.
8. Assist with policy development, coordination and review.
9. Provide support, advocacy and guidance to Fellowship Pathways managers, including:
 - a. eligibility and selection decisions;
 - b. engagement with the Department of Health and RTOs/RVTS;
 - c. clinical review and/or input to correspondence, processes, website content, enquiries, remediation, assessment, meetings;
 - d. AMC or RTO accreditation;
 - e. academic registrar program support;
 - f. critical Incidents;
 - g. GP education and training program evaluation;

- h. Post-RACGP Vocational Training Education Committee (VTEC) approvals for alternative training models;
- i. stakeholder enquiries on complex training and/or policy interpretation;
- j. policy input/review;
- k. RACGP representative at meetings/conferences when appropriate, such as at Lead Medical Educator Committee.

10. Assist with (medical) staff recruitment and in-service training (all staff) when requested.
11. Review RACGP reports, papers, guides and resources when requested, providing feedback and advice.
12. Deliver agreed *Work Plan Goals* – to be developed in conjunction with the General Manager.
13. Participate in the RACGP Performance Review cycle.
14. Deliver agreed Work Performance Goals – to be developed in conjunction with the General Manager Fellowship Pathways.
15. Delegated Authority (Budget \$ or otherwise), as approved by the General Manager Fellowship Pathways.

Environment, Health and Safety

1. Complies with the College's OH&S policies and procedures
2. Takes reasonable care for the safety of his/her own health and safety and that of other people who may be affected by their conduct in the workplace
3. Seeks guidance for all new or modified work procedures to ensure that any hazardous conditions, near misses and injuries are reported immediately to the Manager
4. Participates in meetings, training and other environment, health and safety activities
5. Does not wilfully place at risk the health or safety of any person in the work place
6. Does not wilfully or recklessly interfere with or misuse anything provided in the interest of environment health and safety or welfare
7. Cooperates with the College in relation to activities taken by the College to comply with OH&S and environmental legislation.

Your Relationships

Your role requires interaction with the following internal and external stakeholders:

Internal:

- Fellowship Pathways staff
- Education Services staff
- Program Manager, Technology Projects
- Head of Content and Communication
- Head of Events and Experience
- Head of CPD
- Financial Controller
- RACGP expert committees
- RACGP members

External:

- RTO/RVTS Medical Educators
- Subject matter experts
- Commonwealth Department of Health
- Other Government departments and agencies
- Regulatory bodies
- Representative associations
- Other relevant organisations

Key Selection Criteria

Experience, Knowledge and Skills

Essential

1. Specialist expert knowledge of medical education.
2. Experience in the establishment and delivery of training and education interventions for medical practitioners.
3. Experience as a medical educator working with general practitioners in a variety of education and training settings.
4. Demonstrated ability to direct, motivate and manage a team of diverse individuals.
5. Excellent written and verbal communication skills including the capacity to write succinct and coherent reports and submissions.
6. Highly developed stakeholder engagement skills including a demonstrated ability to work with professional staff from disciplines outside medicine and health.
7. Demonstrated time management and organisational skills.

Desirable

1. Recognition and experience in the development of change management in education system design.
2. Demonstrated success in the establishment and quality maintenance and operational management of general practice training systems.
3. Demonstrated capability to provide high quality education and training to general practitioners throughout the general practice professional lifecycle.
4. Demonstrated experience working with digital educational tools.

8. Ability to operate and analyse with a high degree of independent judgement and initiative.
9. Expertise in educational innovation.
10. Satisfactory completion of a National Police Check may be required.

Qualifications

Essential

1. FRACGP or equivalent qualification.

Desirable

1. Tertiary qualification in health education or a related field.

Workplace Behaviours

In your role, you are expected to:

- Positively influence others
- Take initiative
- Focus on service
- Make effective decisions
- Be transparent
- Be respectful
- Be emotionally intelligent
- Be flexible and adaptive
- Strive for excellence
- Demonstrate integrity
- Be accountable
- Collaborate

Classification Description

In accordance with the Enterprise Bargaining Agreement (EBA) 2018 or subsequent agreement.

Declaration

I, [insert name] , acknowledge that I have read and understood the Principal Medical Education Advisor position description which forms part of my employment contract from the date of issue.

I accept that the Position Description may need amending and updating periodically due to changes in responsibilities and organisational requirements

Employee: _____ (signature) Date: _____

This Position Description is approved by:			
H.R	 (signature)	Date	23.10.2019