



ACRRM AND GP SYNERGY TRANSITION FAQ

SUPERVISORS AND PRACTICES

QUESTION	ANSWER
SUPERVISOR REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT	
Will there still be an SLO for supervisor issues?	Yes. ACRRM will recruit an SLO for regions in NSW to assist with supervisor matters. In addition, the Director of Training and Regional Director of Training will provide a further point of contact and support.
Will I still get paid? How?	Yes. After 8 August 2022 once all payments relating to your semester 1 registrar placement have been reconciled, ACRRM will begin making payments to you directly via an RCTI process.
What platform will ACRRM use to manage our practice data and reporting?	ACRRM currently has a platform under development for the management of accreditation and payments. ACRRM is working with GP Synergy to ensure that when the data for your practice and registrar training is handed to ACRRM it is loaded directly to this system for ease of use. Practices will be introduced to this system as a part of your orientation with ACRRM.
What assessments are required, and will I get paid to do assessments?	Formative assessments for your ACRRM registrars remain exactly the same., that is, miniCEX, and MSF you will also be required to provide supervisor reports to ACRRM for your registrar. The levels of payment will remain the same as the arrangements for GP Synergy until February 2023 at which time payments will convert to a nationally consistent payment level set by the Department of Health. Supervisors will have access to complete assessments in the new ACRRM platform.
Will the requirements of supervision and teaching change (e.g. 80% for first term registrars in GP terms)?	No. The requirements of teaching will remain the same as per under the ACRRM standards for supervisors





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How much teaching will I need to do?	This will depend on your registrar and their stage of training. ACRRM would expect teaching volumes to remain consistent with the current standards.
Will there still be CTVs?	Yes. These will be carried out by ACRRM Medical Educators in each region from 2022.2 onwards.
What support is available to me and how do I contact them?	ACRRM supervisors and practices will have access to a regional team consisting of Medical Educators, Training Network Coordinator, Rural Support Officers and Training Officers – all contact details will be shared with ACRRM training posts prior to the commencement of 2022.2. These roles have been designed to support and guide ACRRM supervisors and practice staff. They have been strategically placed across the state of NSW for regional knowledge and practice contact.
Do I still need to sign off on practice logs?	Yes, requirements will remain the same as they are with GP Synergy, however, this will be through ACRRMs online training portal and not GPRime.
What educational support is available including educational CPD? What are the educational CPD requirements?	ACRRM has a range of supervisor resources including online modules and supervisors will have full access to the ACRRM online learning library. Regional education sessions for supervisor's will also be delivered in the second part of the year.
What exam support is there for the registrars? And for me?	Registrars will receive exam preparation support through access to study groups, mock exams, trial MCQ papers and Focussed Assessment Support. Supervisors will be invited to and have access to information sessions on exams and the requirements for exam preparation.





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PLACEMENT		
What will the placement process look like?	For the upcoming 2022.2 training term, the placement process will be managed by GP Synergy in collaboration with ACRRM. Registrars should apply, and practices make offers, via GP Synergy processes as they normally would. Any placements beyond the 2022.2 training term will be managed directly by ACRRM.	
How will registrars know I am looking for a registrar?	For 2023 onwards, ACRRM will manage the placement process for ACRRM registrars, RACGP registrar placement will remain with GP Synergy for 2023.1 and then move to the RACGP	
How do contracts work with ACRRM?	ACRRM will issue contracts to your practice outlining payment and reporting requirements as a part of the semester 2022.2 placement process.	
	Under ACRRM contracts, practices are able to nominate how supervisor contracts are managed and where payments are made to for supervisor teaching hours.	
	This process will be undertaken in partnership with GP Synergy to ensure a smooth transition of this work.	
What are the employment conditions for ACRRM registrars going to be like – do they still need to meet NTCER?	Employment conditions for ACRRM registrars will remain as they are currently and will be required to meet the standard of the NCTER.	
What financial support will the registrars receive? Will they still need to go to educational release days?	Registrars will receive the same types and level of financial support to that which is provided by GP Synergy until 1 February 2023 at which point payments will change to a nationally consistent payments level set by the Department of Health	
What happens with my accreditation? What if I still want to take RACGP registrars?	GP Synergy is responsible for your current accreditation. When your accreditation cycle is due for renewal in 2022 GP Synergy will work with you directly to renew this. From 2023 onwards ACRRM will take on the management of your accreditation You may still take RACGP registrars.	
From Semester 1, 2023 will the same registrar caps remain?	ACRRM has registrars on different pathways, our caps will be dictated by capacity in regional areas, by numbers advised by the DoH. These caps will be made available to practices through the placements process and are subject to change.	





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Will practices engage with ACRRM and have registrars outside the GP Synergy pathway?	If a practice can show that they have met the standards and have supervision capacity to support additional registrars from other pathways the College will support this – however it will be on a case-by-case basis to ensure that the practice isn't burdened in terms of the level of support needed for registrars. The placement process for all pathways will be managed at the same time to ensure that the right registrars are matched with the right practices.
For ADF Registrars – how will ACRRM make contact / adjust / support / liaise with career managers?	ADF Registrar support contacts and working relationships will be handed over by GP Synergy to the College. ACRRM has an MOU with ADF and will continue to work with GP Synergy so we can transition this support across for ADF registrars.
Will the practices rather than the RTO be responsible for their capping? i.e. the number of registrars per term?	The College will be responsible for the registrar training caps, based on what the practices submit to ACRRM in their training capacity request.
How will the College engage with practices who have dual registrars to ensure training capacity is mapped correctly?	ACRRM will have a view of dually accredited training practices. ACRRM is currently working with RACGP to develop a Bi-College accreditation model and a Bi-College placement model. The Colleges will be sharing data on how many registrars sit across different placements and practices.
GP Synergy have had a restriction on other doctors in a practice becoming supervisors, will there be an opportunity for doctors in the practice for FACRRMs to become supervisors for ACRRM Registrars?	Both Colleges have standards for supervisors and will have a principal supervisor – but there are no restrictions on the number of supervisors in a practice.





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PAYMENT AND DATA	
Will I still get paid? How?	Yes. After 8 August 2022 once all payments relating to your semester 1 registrar placement have been reconciled, ACRRM will begin making payments to you directly via an RCTI process.
How is my data being shared?	Expert data teams from both ACRRM and GP Synergy are working to share relevant data through secure transfers.
What data is being shared?	Data relating to training posts, placement and rotations will be shared. This will include training options offered, additional sites available (hospital/afterhours etc.), and information relating to your accreditation and supervision history.
How will 'Withheld' data that informs registrar risks for practices be managed once GP synergy no longer exists.	Anything that is relevant to training will be handed over to ACRRM. If a registrar isn't meeting competencies or requires additional assistance, that information will be provided to the College.
	Any personal situations that a registrar may be experiencing that is hindering training will not be provided, unless the registrar has permitted for the information to be provided.
	The College is generally aware of this information through communication with RTOs and critical incident forms.