Position Description
Lead Member – Accreditation Assessment Panels: Fellowship Program

Responsibilities/Role:

- Participate in accreditation assessments subject to completion of the required accreditation assessment panel training.
- Confer with panel members during the accreditation assessment.
- Ensure familiarity with pre-assessment accreditation documentation.
- Identify key areas of focus for the assessment.
- Chair the pre-assessment panel meeting.
- Participate in the pre-assessment on-site assessment panel meeting.
- Lead the assessment panel and accreditation assessment meetings, ensuring that all participants are aware of how their feedback is used.
- Provide guidance to the assessment panel.
- Determine, with the assessment panel, the recommendation for ongoing accreditation or removal of accreditation of the Fellowship Program, and the commendations and recommendations of the assessment.
- Meet the local Director of Training with the panel at the conclusion of an assessment for informal debriefing.
- Raise any concerns regarding the possible removal of accreditation, immediately following the accreditation assessment, with the AC Chair or delegate.
- Contribute to the completion of the accreditation assessment report and associated correspondence as necessary.
- Participate in post-assessment teleconferences.
- Liaise with the Education Committee and the Board as appropriate regarding finalisation of a program’s formal accreditation status.
- Contribute to the continuous improvement of Fellowship Program accreditation processes and procedures.

Meeting Attendance:

- The Lead Member is expected to attend all relevant meetings and participate in matters that are considered outside of meetings, where practicable.
Selection Criteria:

- Current active Fellowship and good standing in the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP).
- Is an accredited RANZCP supervisor who has a special interest in training as demonstrated by experience as a Director of Training, a Director of Advanced Training, a BTC/NZTC Chair or a service director.
- Completion of a minimum two Fellowship program assessments as a Lead or Second Member during the previous five calendar years, or, evidence of current experience / participation in other accreditation activities such as training post assessments.
- A commitment to the education and professional development of psychiatry.
- Demonstrated experience in an area of psychiatry practice/expertise, as evidenced in a curriculum vitae.
- Participation in the RANZCP Continuing Professional Development Program.
- No perceived, potential or real conflict of interest that cannot be mitigated.
- Current specialist medical registration and professional indemnity.

Selection Process:

- The Lead Member shall express interest in the position when called upon.
- The Lead Member shall be appointed to the accreditation panel and specific assessment/s by the Accreditation Committee.
- The appointment as Lead Member is not limited other than by the currency of the relevant Selection Criteria.
- The Lead Member will not be allocated to an accreditation assessment in their own state, territory, or RANZCP training program.
- Membership of each accreditation panel shall be determined by the Accreditation Committee according to the specific circumstances of the accreditation assessment.
- A signed Deed of Undertaking recorded with the RANZCP.

Voting Rights:

A full voting member of the Panel.

Reporting Relationships:

Internal Relationships:
Accreditation outcomes are reported by the accreditation panel as required to:

- The Board
- Corporate Governance and Risk Committee
- The Education Committee
- The Accreditation Committee
- The Committee for Training
- The Committee for Education Evaluation, Monitoring and Reporting
- Branch Training Committees or the New Zealand Training Committee
- Directors of Training
- Trainees in the Training Program
• Local Training Committees
• Local Health Services.

**External Relationships:**
• The Lead Member participates in meetings with external stakeholders as required during accreditation assessments.

**Associated RANZCP Document/Sources of Information:**
• Accreditation Committee Regulations and Panel Position Descriptions
• Training Program Accreditation Standards and Accreditation Assessment Report
• Accreditation Policy
• Removal of Accreditation Policy
• Committee Meeting Operations Regulations
• RANZCP Constitution, Media and Communications Policy, Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics, Conflict of Interest Guideline, Conflict of Interest Register, Risk Management Policy, relevant Risk Register, Deed of Undertaking in relation to Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest, Privacy Policy, Delegation of Authority Guideline, Travel and Expense Policy and Expense Claim Form, Document Approval Pathway Procedure and RANZCP website.

**Review:**
This Position Description shall be reviewed five (5) years from the last review date.

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