VIC TRAINING APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5pm MONDAY 30th of MAY

With 2023 Victorian Psychiatry Training applications closing 5pm Monday 30th of May, the VPTC wanted to offer some final information and advice regarding frequently asked questions:

**How many positions are available at each service?**

The no. of positions available in 2023:

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<td><strong>TOTAL No. 1st year training positions 2023</strong></td>
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*Note these may be subject to change and are an initial indication.

**How should I apply to the service(s)?**

You should be looking on the services recruitment website /careers page and look for posts that state ‘RANZCP first year position’. If you cannot find the related job advertisement, then please reach out directly to the Hospital Coordinators of Training (HCT). [HCT Contact information available from the PMCV portal here.](#)

A reminder to apply to each service you are interested in working at and rank them in your PMCV application. Remember, no additional services can be added to the preference list (step 4) after applications close on 5pm Monday 30th of May. After that date, only changes/deletions of existing preferences can be made.
**Do I need to provide a copy of my CV?**
No, you are providing this information during step 6 of the PMCV online form.

**What if my referee reports are not completed by Monday May the 30th?**
We can offer a grace period for late referee reports up until 5pm Friday the 3rd of June. You can still undertake your video interview if waiting for these reports to be submitted.

**I'm on the upload documents page - what does the 'other documents as required' refer to?**
This is for applicants without full registration, who will need to provide evidence of how they will gain general registration by February 2023.

**I've finalised all information stage 7, and now I am waiting on the video interview, should I press "Save Progress" or "Submit Application"?**
Applicants may do either. If you do click 'submit application' before the closing date and then wish to make further changes, you can make their edits and submit again up until applications close. The video interview step will then occur after applications have closed, and only those applicants who have completed their application requirements and been approved will be able to participate in the interview.

**Video Interview factsheet**
As noted, video interviews open 10am Tuesday 31 May 2022. To assist applicants to understand the process see the fact-sheet attached.

**Other Key Documents :**

- [Timeline and key dates for 2022/23](#) [PDF; 847 KB]
- [Application and selection process -- advice for applicants](#) [PDF; 837 KB]

Good luck with your application, and please reach out if you have any questions. Please note, we are unable to respond to questions over the weekend period.

Best,
Victorian Psychiatry Training Committee and PMCV.

**Applications for 2023 Victorian Psychiatry Training Program**

Applications for the **RANZCP Victorian Psychiatry Training Program** commencing in February 2023 are now open until **5pm (AEST) on Monday 30th of May 2022.**

The prerequisites to apply for the RANZCP training program are:

- Successful completion of a medical degree
- At least one year (FTE) of general medical training
- Current general registration as a medical practitioner in Australia or New Zealand

PIF members who meet these prerequisites are invited to consider applying for the Victorian psychiatry training program in 2023.
Why train in psychiatry?

Psychiatry is a fascinating profession. The mind is complex, as are people’s social and cultural interactions, and the brain - the body’s most complex organ - is now far better understood and continues to be an active area of research for many disciplines.

Psychiatry offers a particularly broad approach to medical work, taking all aspects of the person and their social setting into account. Psychiatry also raises complex issues linked with philosophy and ethics; and involves work within multidisciplinary teams in consultation with other professionals.

Training in general psychiatry and its subspecialties provides assessment skills, and interventions such as the evidence-based use of psychotherapies and psychotropic medication.

How to apply

The selection process for Victorian psychiatry training positions aims to determine whether applicants have the necessary qualities, skills, and experience to become psychiatrists.

To apply, please:

1. Read the advice guide on the application and selection process
2. Review the timeline and key dates for selection and allocation 2022/23
3. Log onto the Victorian Psychiatry Training Program via the Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria website
4. Apply for a training position with a Victorian hospital or clinical service.

Applying to the Victorian Psychiatry Training Committee through PMCV does not get you a job. All applicants must simultaneously apply to psychiatry services. Candidates should have a look on services websites for job advertisements stating “RANZCP first-year training position”. You could also proactively reach-out to the Hospital Training Coordinator(s) and introduce yourself. You will find the websites and contact details for HCT’s listed within the PMCV portal.

Ensure you submit your application by 5pm (AEST) on Monday 30 May 2022.

Resources for applicants

Read about the training program, selection of trainees, and psychiatry subspecialties on the RANZCP website.

Read about the reflections of a current RANZCP trainee, including advice to students and junior doctors navigating their medical career here and stories about a day in the life of a psychiatrist.

Watch the webinar ‘A career in psychiatry’ presented by Dr Penny Golding, RANZCP Fellow and Director of Training, together with Dr Hye-Sang Shin, RANZCP Victorian Trainee, at the 2020 AMA Victorian Career Expo.
More information

Psychiatry offers a fulfilling, rewarding career and we look forward to receiving your application.

To find out more about the RANZCP Victorian psychiatry training program email ranzcp.vic@ranzcp.org.