RANZCP Certificate of Postgraduate Training in Clinical Psychiatry (the Certificate)
SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

The Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists

Certificate of Postgraduate Training in Clinical Psychiatry

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists has received Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing funding for the Certificate Scholarships of $10,000.

The objective is to reduce the financial barrier to medical professionals wishing to undertake the Certificate, providing more opportunities for upskilling and confidence building resulting in better patient care.

Application Process

Applicants should review these guidelines to ensure they meet the required eligibility to receive a Scholarship.

Applications to undertake the Certificate and receive a Scholarship should be submitted through the Certificate application portal. Applications are made up of two parts:

- First Application
- Email providing unique username, instructions on how to set a password and unique link to the second application form. The email can end up in Spam/Junk mail so these should be checked.
- Second application (pre-populated with information supplied in the first application) which requests greater detail and opportunity to pay the application fee of $250.00

All mandatory evidence can be uploaded within the second application form.

If you are not eligible to receive a Scholarship or are unable to provide the required documentation you are welcome to complete the Application form indicating, you do not want a Scholarship.

On receipt of a submitted application the RANZCP will provide confirmation of submission.

The Certificate Committee are the responsible body for ensuring eligibility to undertake the Certificate and awarding a Scholarship.

If you are successful in being awarded the opportunity to enrol advice to this effect will include the outcome of your Scholarship application.

If a Scholarship is awarded the applicant must pay the remaining $2,500 before the start of the intake – instalment plans will not be available.

The Scholarship funds will not be released to the applicant but directly applied to their RANZCP account.

Criteria

An application for Scholarship will be awarded on a case-by-case basis subject to meeting the criteria as set by the Department.

The RANZCP reserves the right to decline an application for Scholarship should the allocation for a particular intake exceed Scholarships available.

The Scholarship can only be applied for once and be used to fund the initial enrolment. If an extension to enrolment is required, the Participant will need to fund this themselves.

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Recipients of a Scholarship must commit to completing the program and agree to complete ongoing surveys and if requested, participate in interviews or provision of additional information including up to two years post completion.

If you wish to defer your enrolment and your request is approved, your Scholarship will not automatically be transferred to the new enrolment. You will need to re-apply for a Scholarship which may not be awarded.

Retrospective applications cannot be considered.

Eligibility

Scholarships are available to medical practitioners wanting to undertake the Certificate who have:

- Police Check
    - Police checks must be current.
- Working with Children Check
    - Working with Children Checks must be current and valid in accordance with the issuing authority.

If you do not have the relevant checks in place at the time you wish to apply to undertake the Certificate and be awarded a Scholarship you are advised to defer your application until the next intake.

Taxation disclaimer and record keeping

Receipt of the Scholarship may constitute taxable income to you. The taxation treatment of the Scholarship, including whether any amount is assessable income, deductible, reportable or otherwise relevant for taxation purposes will depend on your individual circumstances.

You are solely responsible for obtaining any independent taxation, financial or legal advice you consider necessary, and for managing any reporting, payment or other taxation obligations arising from, or connected with, receipt of the Scholarship.

The RANZCP does not provide taxation, financial or legal advice. Any information provided by the RANZCP in connection with the Scholarship is general in nature only and must not be relied upon as advice about your personal taxation, financial or legal circumstances.

You must retain accurate financial records (including invoices and receipts) relating to the Scholarship for at least five (5) years and comply with Australian Taxation Office requirements, and any reasonable audit, verification, or compliance requirement by the RANZCP.

Allocation of Funds

On receipt of the completed enrolment form and acceptance of all Scholarship declaration statements the RANZCP will allocate the Scholarship funds to your account.

Funds will not be released to an Applicant.

The Scholarship funds can only be used for undertaking the Certificate. You are not able to request the funds be allocated for use to pay for any other RANZCP activity.

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