

Position Description

Member, Trainees' Advisory Council (TAC)



Background

In August 2022, the Trainees' Advisory Council (**TAC**) was established as a part of a new governance model developed with the Bi-national Committee for Trainees (**BCT**) (formerly known as the Trainee Representative Committee / TRC).

The TAC is a broader body to enhance engagement and bring together the RANZCP Board Appointed Director, Trainee as Chair of the TAC, trainees of the BCT, trainee representatives from a number of other College Committees that are not captured within the BCT governance framework, as well as the Chair (or delegate) of recognised external association of trainees.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Provide the TAC with timely advice regarding issues pertaining to RANZCP Trainees, as well as broader issues relating to psychiatry across Australia and New Zealand, taking into account the long-term wellbeing of the College.
- Contribute to discussions on a variety of issues, including but not limited to, policy relevant to education and training; change implementation issues relevant to trainees; trainee wellbeing; and proposed amendments to RANZCP processes relevant to trainees.
- Attend and meaningfully contribute to meetings of the TAC.
- Report on the activities of the Committee/external association/jurisdiction they represent to each TAC meeting, or as required, and report back to these Committee's on the trainee/training related issues discussed within the TAC and the College.

Selection Criteria:

- A Trainee (Associate) of the RANZCP.
- Be appointed/elected to a member position on the BCT or another College committee; or a Chair (or delegate) of an external Association of Psychiatry Trainees (APTs).
- Have a commitment to the professional development of psychiatry, including the improvement of training and examination processes of the RANZCP.
- Hold respect of peers and a commitment to excellence in psychiatric practice.

Appointment/election process

- TAC Member will be elected/appointed in accordance with the TAC Regulations.
- The term shall coincide with their term on the Committee that they are representing, or otherwise in accordance with the TAC Regulation.

Voting rights

- A full voting member of the TAC.

Reporting relationships

- The member shall report to the Chair, TAC.
- The TAC shall report directly to the BCT.

Associated Documents:

- TAC and BCT Regulations
- Committee Meeting Operations Regulations and associated documents

Review:

- This Position Description shall be reviewed two (2) years from commencement.

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