

**PROCEDURE FOR SUPERVISED TRAINING OF AN OTS WHO WAS
ASSESSED AS NEAR EQUIVALENT**

(For the information of ACD State Faculties and nominated Supervisor(s))

The following is the procedure for an OTS classified by the Interview Panel as being "near equivalent" to an Australian trained dermatologist currently entering the Australian workforce.

1. The Chairman of the Faculty of the State in which the OTS wishes to carry out his/her supervised clinical training will receive the following information from College:
 - (i) the number of months of further training/assessment needed;
 - (ii) the areas of the curriculum where specialised training and/or attendance at specific courses is required;
 - (iii) whether or not publication requirements need to be satisfied;
 - (iv) that the OTS needs to undergo regular supervision and regular assessment;
 - (v) that the OTS needs to follow the Code of Conduct of trainees of College.

2. If the OTS is living in a State or Territory in which there is no regional Faculty, the Chairman of the State Faculty most closely associated with the State or Territory is the person advised. In the case of Tasmania this is the Victorian Faculty, in the case of the ACT, the New South Wales Faculty and, in the case of the Northern Territory, the South Australian Faculty.

3. There are two options with regard to supervised clinical training for OTSs, as follows:
 - a) The State Faculty will develop a training program to address the Interview Panel's recommendations, which will need to be approved by the Board of Censors and accredited by the Council. These positions will generally be unfunded, unless the Faculty is able to gain funding.

The State Faculty will be asked to recommend to Council an appropriate Faculty nominee to act as a supervisor for the OTS's period of supervised clinical training.
 - b) The OTS may compete on an equal basis with Australian trainees in the selection process for accredited College training programs.

4. The OTS is expected to attend all tutorials, clinical meetings and other educational meetings attended by trainees in an accredited College training program, unless recommended otherwise by the Board of Censors.

5. The OTS will be assessed in the same manner as a trainee in an accredited College training program. This will include Formative and Summative In-training Assessment and Assessment of Competence. They will also be expected to maintain detailed logbooks during their period of training. Some modification of this process may be necessary in individual cases at the discretion of Council, on recommendation of the Board of Censors. Publication requirements will be determined by the Interview Panel at the time of the applicant's interview.

6. If the OTS Interview Panel determines that the OTS should sit the Fellowship examination, then in most instances this should be the full written and clinical Fellowship examination of the College (as outlined in the Training Program Handbook). This should be conducted in the same way as for any other trainee in an

accredited training program. It is, however, open to the Interview Panel to recommend that only certain parts of the examination need to be sat and passed.

7. Once the OTS has completed the requirements of the Interview Panel, including passing the Fellowship examination as required, then a further report is submitted to the AMC (AMC Report 2), which includes a recommendation that the applicant be granted recognition as a specialist. If so, he/she may be offered a Fellowship of the College, as determined by Council.