

## Prevocational Accreditation Committee Position Statement

### DPET supervision of International Medical Graduates

This position statement was developed to provide guidance in relation to Directors of Prevocational Education and Training providing supervision to International Medical Graduates.

The PAC and PvTC endorse the below position on DPET supervision of International Medical Graduates.

For all accredited prevocational training sites, the PAC and PvTC have an expectation that should the workload of the DPET expand beyond prevocational trainees, that the provider will review the workload to ensure adequate FTE to accommodate these additional responsibilities.

The inclusion of IMG oversight to a DPET's role has the potential to impact prevocational training programs. The training requirements vary between IMGs and prevocational trainees and in many cases the support requirements for IMGs exceed that of prevocational trainees. When this occurs, there is the potential that DPETs will be unable to fulfill their role as articulated in the National Standards and the DPET position description.

The role of the DPET is to provide oversight of prevocational training, provide support to prevocational trainees and ensure a high quality, sustainable prevocational training program in accordance with the National Framework for Prevocational Medical Training.

All prospective DPETs must be endorsed by the Prevocational Training Council (PvTC) following appointment to the role. When the PvTC review an application for a DPET, particular consideration is given to the FTE of the DPET appointment and the number of prevocational trainees at the training site to ensure appropriate resources are allocated to undertake the DPET role as per the National Standards.

In some instances, it may be acceptable for a DPET (in consultation with them) to provide oversight for up to two or three IMGs. However, if DPETs are required to provide oversight for multiple IMGs in addition to prevocational trainees this will likely be to the detriment of the prevocational training program. In such instances the FTE of the DPET should be increased accordingly or alternative IMG supervision arrangements should be made.