

Prevocational Accreditation Committee Position Statement

Prevocational Training Terms – Prevocational Trainee Workload

The Prevocational Accreditation Committee (PAC) assesses all prevocational training term descriptions submitted for accreditation. All prevocational training terms must ensure the safety of both patients and prevocational trainees by providing appropriate levels of supervision, workload, hours and clinical practice suitable to the skills of the prevocational trainees performing them. The PAC will consider:

- the complexity and volume of the term's workload;
- prevocational trainee workload;
- the clinical experiences the prevocational trainee can expect to gain;
- the supervision provided to trainees.

The PAC endorse the below position for the operational management of accredited prevocational training terms. This is intended to provide clarity and guidance surrounding the expectations of managing the workload of prevocational trainees in order to maintain the safety of patients, the educational quality of prevocational training terms, and the wellbeing of prevocational trainees.

When the PAC accredit a prevocational term, particular consideration is given to the number of prevocational trainees in the term and the workload or number of patients assigned to each prevocational trainee.

For all accredited prevocational training terms, the PAC have an expectation that should the workload consistently surpass that detailed in the accredited term description, or the staffing for the term reduce, that the provider will have systems in place to ensure that the workload of the prevocational trainee/s does not exceed the number of patients per prevocational trainee detailed in the accredited term description.