

22 December 2021

Response to Question taken on Notice during the RRR Health Inquiry, 03/12/2021

**QUESTION**

From the Hon. Trevor Khan- regarding a problem in terms of those (Psychiatry Registrars) seeking to become Fellowes (of the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatry) completing their accreditation process, with some sort of schedule as to when we might see on end to the problem

**ANSWER**

From the Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatry

Following a review into the technology failure which caused the cancellation of trainees' clinical exams in November, the RANZCP developed a proposal outlining alternative assessment pathways for impacted trainees. This proposal was submitted to the Australian Medical Council (AMC) to ensure alternative assessment pathways met accreditation standards and community expectations. The AMC approved our proposal and the College is now working closely with training networks to ensure trainees are able to complete their assessment by year's end or as soon as practicable. The approved approach uses a portfolio review of a candidate's in-training assessments, or an additional workplace-based assessment. RANZCP has kept in close contact with trainees throughout this challenging time providing support and assurances of finding a quick resolution to this stressful situation.