

# OMS ADMISSION TO FELLOWSHIP POLICY

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### **Purpose**

This policy specifies the eligibility requirements and process for admission to the Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons (FRACDS(OMS)).

## Background

The Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons (RACDS) is the specialist medical college accredited by the Medical Board of Australia (MBA) and Medical Council of New Zealand (MCNZ) as defined in the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation National Law and the New Zealand Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act

The Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons is recognised in Australia and New Zealand and is highly regarded internationally.

### **Definitions**

RACDS / the College	the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons
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### Policy Statement

### 1. ELIGIBILITY TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO FELLOWSHIP

- 1.1. RACDS OMS Training Program Pathway
  - 1.1.1.Trainees must have completed the training and assessment requirements of the RACDS OMS Training Program outlined in the RACDS Accredited Training in OMS Handbook to apply for admission to Fellowship.
  - 1.1.2. Following receipt of the letter from the Registrar notifying approval of Application for Completion of OMS Training Program (FOMS 13) and payment of outstanding fees, the applicant may apply for admission to Fellowship by submitting the completed online form (GEN03) to the College.
- 1.2. RACDS Specialist Assessment of International Medical Graduates Pathway
  - 1.2.1. Specialist international medical graduates must have satisfactorily completed specialist assessment in Australia according to the RACDS Specialist Assessment of Specialist International Medical Graduates in Australia and New Zealand Policy to apply for admission to Fellowship.
  - 1.2.2.Specialist international medical graduates assessed as substantially comparable before October 2021 must complete a minimum of one year of experience as an independent OMS specialist consultant in Australia and/or New Zealand and be nominated by a RACDS OMS Fellow to apply for admission to fellowship. The nominator must have professional knowledge of the applicant's clinical and surgical skills and competence for at least 12 months.

- 1.2.3. Specialist international medical graduates who successfully underwent vocational assessment in New Zealand following the RACDS Specialist Assessment of Specialist International Medical Graduates in Australia and New Zealand Policy must apply for specialist assessment to the Australian Medical Council and RACDS to practice in Australia and/or apply for admission to Fellowship.
- 1.2.4.Following satisfactory completion of specialist assessment in Australia and approval of specialist medical registration by the Medical Board of Australia and/or Medical Council of New Zealand, the applicant may apply for admission to Fellowship by submitting the completed online form (FOMS18) to the College.
- 1.3. Approval for Admission to Fellowship
  - 1.3.1. The OMS Board of Studies will review the application and recommend it to the RACDS Board of Directors.
  - 1.3.2. The RACDS Board of Directors will notify the applicant of the outcome within three months of submitting a complete application.

### 2. APPEALS

2.1. An applicant may appeal the decision within 30 days of notification subject to the RACDS Reconsideration, Review, and Appeals Policy.

### 3. RELATED DOCUMENTS

- 3.1. This policy must be read with reference to the following:
  - a) RACDS Accredited Training in Oral Maxillofacial and Surgery Handbook
  - b) RACDS Specialist Assessment of Specialist International Medical Graduates in Australia and New Zealand Policy
  - c) RACSD OMS Examination Policy
  - d) RACDS Reconsideration, Review, and Appeals Policy