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ADMISSION TO FELLOWSHIP POLICY

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1. Purpose and scope

The purpose of this policy is to:

1. Confirm eligibility requirements for application to Fellowship of the Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons in Oral Maxillofacial Surgery (FRACDS(OMS)).
2. Prescribe the process for admission to FRACDS(OMS)
3. Set the time limit for admission post eligibility requirements being met

This policy should be read in conjunction with the following policies;

- OMS Final Examination Format and Marking Policy
- Overseas Trained OMS Special Assessment Policy - Australia

2. Background

The Royal Australian College of Dental Surgeons' Fellowship in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery (FRACDS(OMS)) is acquired after successful completion of the training program. The minimum time in which training can be completed is four years.

The OMS Training Program comprises a variety of clinical placements at approved training centres, clinical training assessments, courses, a Surgical Science and Training (SST) Examination, Final Examination and a mandatory research requirement as well as the four years of accredited training.

FRACDS(OMS) qualification is recognized in both Australia and New Zealand as the registrable qualification for practice as an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon. The Fellowship qualification is also highly regarded internationally.

3. Policy Statement

3.1. Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for to FRACDS(OMS) applicants must have successfully completed:

- a) OMS Training Program
- b) Mandatory Research Requirement
- c) All Specialist Assessment Requirement and deemed satisfactory by the Overseas Trained Specialist Working Group (OTSWG) in accordance with the College Overseas Trained OMS Special Assessment Policy - Australia

3.2 Admission to Fellowship requirements FRACDS (OMS)

Following receipt of letter from the Registrar (OMS) of successful completion of the final exam and research component

- a) Final 6-monthly formative assessment
- b) Final logbook summary sheet
- c) Confirmation of completion of final hospital rotation
- d) Payment of all outstanding fees
- e) Application for Admission to FRACDS (OMS)

f) Payment of application fee and College subscription

3.3 Time limit for Application to FRACDS (OMS)

- Applicants approved for Fellowship who have not applied for FRACDS (OMS) within 18 months of receiving advice from the Registrar OMS of eligibility and have not met the Admission to Fellowship requirements outlined in section 3.2 will be required to provide evidence of further training and/or CPD, for Admission to Fellowship to be granted.