

Education and Training AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICINE

# Application

Direct Entry into the Emergency Medicine Diploma

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#### Application for Direct Entry into Emergency Medicine Diploma

This application for direct entry into the Emergency Medicine Diploma (EMD) is only available to Fellows of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) or Fellows of the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM), or medical practitioners who have been in active clinical experience in an Emergency Department equivalent to two years full-time equivalent (FTE) in the last five years.

To complete the application for direct entry into the EMD the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Have safely completed **AT LEAST 36 out of 45 (80%)** of the procedures listed in the Self-Assessment Checklist including ALL of the procedures marked as mandatory. The procedures must have been completed within the previous three years. The procedures may have been completed through either clinical practice or by simulation in a relevant course.
- 2. The Self-Assessment Checklist must be endorsed by a FACEM or ACEM Diplomate with whom the applicant has worked either directly or within a network, during the preceding three years. The endorsee must be reasonably satisfied that the applicant can perform the self-assessed procedures at the level of an EMC graduate.
- 3. Provide evidence of a current Advanced Life Support (ALS) Certificate.
- 4. Provide proof of currency of clinical practice i.e. current CPD certificate.
- 5. Signed endorsement by a FACEM or ACEM Diplomate with whom they have worked in the last three years (directly or within a network) of the applicant's knowledge of the EMC Curriculum. The endorsee must be reasonably satisfied that the applicant:
  - i. Has the fundamental knowledge and skills to apply a systematic approach to common undifferentiated presentations.
  - ii. Has the basic knowledge and skills to perform a focused assessment and provide initial treatment in a range of patients with specific common emergency presentations as described in the curriculum.
  - iii. Has fundamental knowledge and skills as described in the curriculum that complement the clinical care of any emergency patient.

The endorsee for each item need not be the same person.

If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact the College:

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#### Please return your completed application to EMCD@acem.org.au

## Applicant details

| Family name                |  |
|----------------------------|--|
| Given name                 |  |
| Medical Board Registration |  |
| Address                    |  |
| State                      |  |
| Postcode                   |  |
| Phone                      |  |
| Email                      |  |

## Category of applicant

| Fellow of ACRRM      | Date Conferred |
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| Fellow of RACGP      | Date Conferred |
| Medical Practitioner | Date Conferred |

'Medical Practitioner' applicants must have a minimum of two years full-time clinical experience (or comparable FTE) in an emergency department within the last five years. In addition, evidence of this clinical experience MUST be provided; for example, a term report or written statement from the relevant emergency department(s).

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## Emergency Department experience

| Hospital | Position | Dates of<br>Employment | FTE<br>(0.0-1.0) |
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|                | Procedure assessed  | Applicant to sign | Endorsee to sign | Unable to<br>Assess |
|----------------|---|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
|                | Insert oropharyngeal airway                                       |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Insert nasopharyngeal airway                                      |                   |                  |                     |
| Airway         | Insertion of LMA  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Simple airway manoeuvres  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Bag-valve-mask ventilation  |                   |                  |                     |
| <b>B</b> all a | Deliver appropriate oxygen therapy                                |                   |                  |                     |
| Breathing      | Administer nebuliser  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Teach use of a spacer   |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Safe defibrillation   |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Intraosseous access   |                   |                  |                     |
| Circulation    | IV access – large bore (16G or larger)                            |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Fluid resuscitation including<br>use of blood products            |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Intranasal analgesia  |                   |                  |                     |
| Analysis       | Digital nerve block   |                   |                  |                     |
| Analgesia      | Parenteral analgesia  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Limb splinting  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | C-Spine immobilisation  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Apply plaster of Paris backslab<br>to forearm                     |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Apply plaster of Paris backslab<br>to lower limb                  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Suture wound  |                   |                  |                     |
| Troumo         | Reduction of a joint dislocation                                  |                   |                  |                     |
| Trauma         | Infiltration of local anaesthetic                                 |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Needle decompression/aspiration of tension or simple pneumothorax |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Pelvic splinting  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Close wound with tissue adhesive                                  |                   |                  |                     |
|                | Interpret trauma series x-rays                                    |                   |                  |                     |

#### Self-Assessment EMC Procedural Checklist



|                                       | Procedure assessed  | Applicant to sign | Endorsee to sign | Unable to<br>Assess |
|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|
|                                       | Examine ear, nose and throat                                      |                   |                  |                     |
| Paediatric<br>febrile child           | Explain and interpret urine collection                            |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Obtain and secure IV access                                       |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Measure SpO <sub>2</sub>  |                   |                  |                     |
| Paediatric<br>breathing<br>difficulty | Interpret chest x-ray   |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Appropriate simple airway techniques                              |                   |                  |                     |
| Paediatric                            | Appropriate fluid resuscitation                                   |                   |                  |                     |
| trauma                                | Appropriate analgesia   |                   |                  |                     |
| Paediatric                            | Assess hydration  |                   |                  |                     |
| dehydration                           | Insertion of oral or nasogastric tube                             |                   |                  |                     |
| Skin and soft<br>tissue Injury        | Apply appropriate first aid and dressing to a burn                |                   |                  |                     |
| Early pregnancy bleeding/pain         | Speculum vaginal examination and visualisation of the cervical os |                   |                  |                     |
| Toxicology                            | Appropriate dose calculation of NAC                               |                   |                  |                     |
| Ophthalmology                         | Removal of foreign body from eye                                  |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Perform BSL / ketones   |                   |                  |                     |
| Neurology                             | Measure GCS   |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Conduct a mental state examination                                |                   |                  |                     |
| Miscellaneous                         | Insertion of a urinary catheter                                   |                   |                  |                     |
|                                       | Total number of Procedures assessed                               | /45               | /45              | /45                 |

#### Highlighted procedures are mandatory

I declare that I have safely completed the procedures indicated above in the last three years.

Applicant signature and date

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I confirm that I have worked with the applicant, directly or within a network, during the last three years and in this time observed this applicant in ED and believe them to be at procedural level of an EMC graduate. I have endorsed that at least 80% of the procedures as shown on the EMC Procedural Checklist have been completed to expected level, including all mandatory procedures.

In consideration of the Emergency Medicine Certificate Curriculum content, I endorse:

- 1. That the applicant has the fundamental knowledge and skills to apply a systematic approach to common undifferentiated presentations.
- 2. That the applicant has the basic knowledge and skills to perform a focused assessment and provide initial treatment in a range of patients with specific common emergency presentations as described in the certificate's curriculum.
- 3. That the applicant has fundamental knowledge and skills as described in the certificate's curriculum that complement the clinical care of any emergency patient.

| Endorsee signature |  |
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| Date               |  |

#### Endorsee details

| Name            |  |
|-----------------|--|
| ACEM Membership |  |
| Hospital        |  |
| Position        |  |

#### Applicant declaration

I declare that the above information completed by me is true and correct, and I undertake to advise the College immediately should circumstances arise to alter any of the responses given.

| Applicant signature |  |
|---------------------|--|
| Date                |  |

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