

Enrolment Moratorium: Emergency Medicine Certificate and Emergency Medicine Diploma



Frequently Asked Questions

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In preparation for the introduction of the new Emergency Medicine Certificate and Diploma programs, new enrolments into the current EMC and EMD Training Programs will only be accepted until Monday 17 August 2020. After this date, no further enrolments will be accepted into the current programs.

The revised Emergency Medicine Certificate (EMC) and Emergency Medicine Diploma (EMD) and proposed new Emergency Medicine Advanced Diploma (EMAD) Training Programs are scheduled to commence on **1 February 2021**. The proposed programs will be considered by the Board of the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM) at their meeting in August 2020.

ACEM will communicate with current and potential trainees, supervisors and Emergency Medicine Education and Training (EMET) Program Support Officers as further information about the revised and new programs becomes available.

Due to the large volume of work to be undertaken in preparation for the introduction of the revised and new programs and the transition arrangements that will need to be put in place, new enrolments into the current EMC and EMD Training Programs will only be accepted until Monday 17 August 2020. After this date, no further enrolments will be accepted into the current programs.

Following approval of the new programs the College will advise when enrolments will open for the new programs. The commencement date for the new programs is scheduled for 1 February 2021.

Trainees transitioning from the FACEM Training Program to the EMC and EMD will continue to be accepted into the current programs during all of 2020, depending on their individual circumstances, as they may be able to complete the current programs prior to the release of the revised and new programs. The Transition from FACEM Training to the EMC and EMD training programs will be redeveloped for the new programs following their finalisation. The new process will be advertised via various ACEM communications, including the ACEM website and weekly Bulletin email.

It is proposed that current EMC trainees will continue and complete their current program, and current EMD trainees will be transitioned to the new EMD or EMAD. More information about how the introduction of the new programs impacts current enrollees will be communicated following the ACEM Board meeting in August.

When will the details of the revised EMC and EMD and new EMAD be available?

The ACEM Board are scheduled to review and approve the proposed new programs at their meeting on 10 August 2020. We expect to be able to release details of the new program structure and requirements by September 2020.

What does this mean for me if I am currently in PGY2 and considering the EMC?

If you have an ED term for 2020 and an EMC supervisor has agreed to be your Primary Supervisor (by signing the Supervisor form) you can apply online to enrol in the current EMC Training Program up until 5pm (AEST) Monday 17 August 2020.

If not, you will need to wait to enrol in the revised EMC Training Program, which will start from

1 February 2021. Enrolment dates for the revised EMC will be provided following approval of the new programs.

What does this mean for me if I am currently in PGY3 and considering the EMD?

If you have an ED, ICU or anaesthetics term for 2020 and an EMD supervisor has agreed to be your Primary Supervisor (by signing the Supervisor form) you can apply online to enrol in the Program up until 5pm (AEST) Monday 17 August 2020. It is proposed that you will be transitioned to the revised EMD or new EMAD. The requirements you complete in 2020 will be mapped against the requirements of the revised EMD and new EMAD programs for transition into these programs.

If not, you will need to wait to enrol in the revised EMD or new EMAD training programs, which will commence on 1 February 2021. You may wish to consider postponing your enrolment until the new programs start. Enrolment dates for the revised EMD will be provided following approval of the new programs.

What does this mean for me if I am interested in enrolling in the EMAD?

The new EMD Training Program will start from 1 February 2021. Enrolment dates for the EMAD will be provided following approval of the new programs.

What happens if I am currently enrolled in the EMC?

It is proposed that you will continue to complete your current EMC Program within your original timeframe, and that you will not transition to the revised EMC Program. Once confirmed, more information about how the introduction of the new programs impacts you will be communicated.

What happens if I am currently enrolled in the EMD?

It is proposed that you will be transitioned to the new revised EMD or new EMAD program. Details of the training requirements you would need to complete in the new programs will be provided following a review of your current training record. If you are close to completing the current EMD you may be able to complete the current EMD program. Once confirmed, more information

about how the introduction of the new programs impacts you will be communicated.

If I have already completed the EMC, am I eligible to enrol in the revised EMD from 1 February 2021?

This will be possible. However, a decision on any additional requirements you may need to complete in the revised EMD will be made as part of the approval process.

If I have already completed the EMD, am I eligible to enrol in the new EMAD from 1 February 2021?

This will be possible. However, a decision on any additional requirements you may need to complete in the new EMAD will be made as part of the approval process.

If I am interested in transitioning from the FACEM Training Program to the EMC and EMD in 2020, how do I do this?

You can complete the online application on the Transition from FACEM Training page on the ACEM website. We will assess your application and let you know your options to complete the current EMC and EMD Programs. Depending on your circumstances you may decide that you prefer to apply once the revised EMC and EMD and new EMAD are available in 2021.

If I am interested in transitioning from the FACEM Training Program to the EMAD in 2021, how do I do this?

You will need to wait until the new program is approved and can only start the EMAD requirements from 1 February 2021. A revised transition policy and process will be made available on the website prior to this date.

For further information please contact the ACEM Emergency Medicine Certificate and Diploma team (emcd@acem.org.au)