

Policy: Flexible arrangements

Introduction

The College's training and examination processes aim to provide trainees with conditions that allow and encourage performance to the best of their ability.

To meet the required standards for all elements of the training program, candidates will be required to contribute to and participate in various activities over the two year period.

The program duration of two years, which builds on postgraduate masters level specialty coursework degrees (or equivalent post professional training), is considered appropriate to support the professional and personal development required for practise as a specialist physiotherapist.

During the term of the specialisation training program, candidates will undertake full-time practice in their field of specialty for a minimum 2 year continuous period.

Part Time Practice

Candidates are permitted, on approval from the Board of Censors and in consultation with their facilitator, to complete the practice requirements through part-time equivalent practice for a maximum of four (4) continuous years.

Special Circumstances

Special circumstances of an unexpected nature such as illness, injury, pregnancy or change to employment will also be considered on a case by case basis.

Variations

Any variations to the period of training must be negotiated between trainee and facilitator and approved by the Board of Censors.

If agreement cannot be reached between facilitator and trainee advice should be sought from the Manager - Australian College of Physiotherapists and the Chief Censor.

In all cases, a training program must be completed within a maximum of four (4) years.

Non-compliance

If a candidates' situation does not permit this, they will be required to withdraw from the training program and permitted to commence a new training program when circumstances allow.