QI & CPD / PDP and CPR training evidence

It is a requirement of the RACGP Standards that all GPs participate in the RACGP QI&CPD program, and that evidence of this is provided. Alternatively, GPs may register with the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) and participate in its PDP program. If a GP is not registered in either program, then evidence must be provided of courses he or she has attended, publications he or she receives and reads regularly, medical reference books he or she has purchased, and seminars attended. It is also essential that all GPs undertake CPR in accordance with their QI&CPD or PDP recommendations. CPR must be consistent with current Australian Resuscitation Council (ARC) guidelines, must be a minimum of one hour in duration, and trainers must have a current CPR instructor’s certificate that complies with ARC guidelines on instructor competencies.

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3.2.1C./ Our practice can provide evidence of satisfactory participation in the RACGP QI&CPD program by all our GPs or evidence that our doctors participate in quality improvement and continuing professional development to at least the same standard as the RACGP QI&CPD program.

3.2.1D./ Our GPs have undertaken training in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) in accordance with RACGP & QI/CPD recommendations.

Assessment methods

- Evidence of recent QI&CPD participation and CPR training.

Surveyors will require evidence of compliance with RACGP QI&CPD requirements for any recently finished triennium, as well as evidence of participation in the current triennium. Both RACGP and ACRRM awarded points are acceptable. Ideally, the QI&CPD or PDP statement will confirm if the GP has recently undertaken CPR training. Alternatively, a copy of a recent CPR training certificate can be provided for review.

Meeting the Standards

A GP’s file will contain copies of all certificates of attendance at QI&CPD or PDP training events, as well as recent statements supplied by the respective Colleges. Examples of the evidence may include:

- certificates of attendance at courses / seminars / workshops
- receipts for payment of courses
- subscriptions to medical journals and publications
- receipts for medical reference books purchased
- a CPR training certificate