

The PMCV Board met on Thursday 9 March 2017. The following matters were discussed.

The Board discussed the co-option of Board members and noted that the position "medical graduate with less than three years' experience as a medical practitioner" is due for election at the Annual General Meeting in November 2017. Under our constitution the current member, Dr Golsa Adabi, is ineligible to seek re-election.

The Board received the first bi-annual report against the PMCV 2016-2018 Strategic Plan and noted that Council was tracking well against the plan and that several sections require clarification.

A letter has been sent to A/Professor Andrew Wilson, Chief Medical Officer, inviting him to attend a future Board meeting.

The Board received a report from the Finance and Risk Committee, and noted the overall positive tracking of revenue and expenditures. The Board approved:

- a tender document for provision of conference services for the Australia and New Zealand Prevocational Medical Education Forum in Victoria in November 2018;
- a process for changing Council's auditor; and
- a Policy on Observers at meetings and events

The Board also received a report on the computer matching website and noted that work was progressing on a clearer role statement for community representatives involved in accreditation.

The Board received reports and updates from the Accreditation, Education, IMG and HMO Managers subcommittees.

The Board also noted:

1. A national Review of Accreditation Systems led by Professor Michael Woods, and its terms of reference, which emphasize cost effectiveness, governance and streamlining of accreditation functions. The Board agreed to investigate whether Council should make a submission.

Further information is available at the COAG Health website:

<http://www.coaghealthcouncil.gov.au/Projects/Accreditation-Systems-Review>

2. A media release from the office of the Assistant Minister for Health about a review of the distribution of medical student places.
3. Formation of a work group to investigate fitness to practise and transfer of information about professional behavior from medical schools to interns' health services.
4. The PMCV has been engaged to provide a computer matching system for Hematology trainees in Victoria, Northern Territory and Tasmania. Development and testing have commenced.
5. Release of guidelines for the Rural Junior Doctor Training Innovation Fund. The program provides funds to develop primary care (general practice or Aboriginal Medical Service) rotations for rurally based interns.
6. An update on work arising from the 2016 Intern Work Readiness and National Training Survey workshops. The Medical Board of Australia has agreed to deliver an annual national training survey and is currently scoping the survey.

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Chair, PMCV Board
9 March 2017.