



**Application for pre-approval of all or part of the PGY2\* year to be completed overseas.**

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Application from a NZ, Australian or NZREX graduate who, following successful completion of PGY1 in New Zealand, is applying for pre-approval to undertake all or part of PGY2 overseas where the DHB Advisory Panel is unable to approve the proposed work.

**The DHB Advisory Panel may approve an interns PDP for overseas work in PGY2 where the proposed work is:**

- Within Australia – a prevocational training position under the supervision of a vocationally (specialist) registered doctor in a position approved for prevocational training.
- Within the UK – a position in an approved practice setting that has been recognised by the GMC for prevocational training in the UK.
- Within Ireland – a supervised position approved by IMC for prevocational training.

**Council may consider pre-approving proposed work overseas** if the position is under the supervision of a vocationally (specialist) registered doctor. Unsupervised work and most locum work will not be counted towards your PGY2 requirements. Please note that it is highly unlikely that Council will be able to approve work to be undertaken in a health system that is not comparable to that of New Zealand.

For more information, please refer to the following link:

<https://www.mcnz.org.nz/maintain-registration/prevocational-training-pgy1-pgy2-and-nzrex-requirements/>

**Important information**

- It may take up to 20 working days to process this application. If the Education Committee Chair and Medical Advisor are unable to confirm that the proposed work meets requirements, your application will need to be referred to Council for consideration. Council meets every two months.
- You must apply for pre-approval before commencing work overseas. Work already completed will not be considered in retrospect.
- If the proposed work is not approved, you will need to continue to work in accredited clinical attachments and maintain your PDP on return to NZ until a time that your prevocational educational supervisor recommends the removal of the endorsement on your practising certificate.

<b>Name:</b>		<b>Medical Council number:</b>	
<b>Qualifications:</b>			
<b>PGY1 year completed:</b> <i>Training provider (DHB) and date of completion</i>			

**Please answer the following questions:**

Is your request to work in position outlined above (within Australia, the UK or Ireland)?    Yes     No   
 If yes, please provide this information to your DHB Advisory Panel and they will consider your request.

Has your DHB Advisory Panel considered your PDP to work overseas?    Yes     No   
 If, yes, please provide information below outlining why the proposed position was not approved:

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<b>Proposed overseas position:</b>	
<b>Registration authority, status and country in which you will be working in:</b>	
<b>Employment dates:</b>	
<b>Do you intend to return to practise in New Zealand at the completion of the proposed position?</b>	

**Please provide an explanation below outlining the nature of the position that you wish to undertake overseas, and enclose supporting documentation which details the following:**

- Job description of proposed position.
- Areas of medicine you intend to work in, and length of each clinical attachment.
- Details of supervision to be provided.
- Details of assessment to be undertaken.

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## Requirements for completing all or part of PGY2 requirements overseas

Interns who complete pre-approved practice overseas for all or part of PGY2 will retain the endorsement on their practising certificate on return to practice in New Zealand until they have demonstrated that Council's requirements have been met.

Interns would need to provide their prevocational educational supervisor with information about their intentions. The Advisory Panel would consider this, and the proposed PDP for PGY2 at the time they meet.

Interns will need to demonstrate that they have continued to make satisfactory progress, as demonstrated in their ePort and their supervision reports during time spent overseas. The onus is on the intern to upload supervision reports into their ePort and ensure all learning is recorded.

### Approved jurisdictions:

- Within Australia – a prevocational training position under the supervision of a vocationally (specialist) registered doctor in a position approved for prevocational training.
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### Jurisdictions outside of Australia, UK and Ireland:

A PGY2 who wishes to undertake their PGY2 year outside of the above specified criteria will need to submit an individual application for approval to Council prior to going overseas which will be considered on a case by case basis.

### Returning to New Zealand

A review of progress is required on return to practice in New Zealand. The following areas will need to be satisfied prior to the removal of the endorsement:

- 1) The time spent practicing overseas combined with time spent in New Zealand meets the requirements.
- 2) Completed supervision reports from the time spent overseas and in New Zealand are satisfactory.
- 3) The PDP and goals in ePort must demonstrate ongoing development and learning.
- 4) NZCF learning outcomes have been attained and recorded in ePort.
- 5) Overall progress demonstrates ongoing learning throughout the PGY2 year.

### Consideration of removal of endorsement:

- If an intern has been offered a position at a DHB the Advisory Panel is to undertake review of the intern's progress during PGY2.
- If an intern is not returning to employment at a DHB the Council's Medical Adviser and Education Committee Chair is to review the completed supervision reports from the time spent overseas and the intern's overall progress as demonstrated in their ePort.
- If the Advisory Panel Chair has any uncertainty or concern then they may refer the request for removal of the endorsement to Council for consideration by Council's Medical Adviser and Education Committee Chair.

#### Please note:

**When assessing PGY2 work completed overseas, Council will be reviewing the information provided to determine that the following has been met.**

**Please ensure that you have updated your ePort with all relevant information so that an informed assessment can be made. This information can be recorded in the PDP or other learning activities section of your ePort.**

Interns will need to demonstrate that they have continued to make satisfactory progress as demonstrated in their ePort and reflected in their supervision reports for time spent overseas. The following areas will need to be satisfied prior to the removal of the endorsement:

1) Time spent practicing overseas is equivalent to a PGY2 intern completing requirements in New Zealand (equivalent to satisfactory completion of four accredited clinical attachments, minimum 10 weeks per attachment).

2) Supervision reports for time spent overseas are satisfactory and are uploaded as PDF files in ePort.

3) PDP and goals recorded in ePort demonstrate ongoing development and learning.

4) NZCF learning outcomes have been attained and recorded in ePort.

5) Overall progress demonstrates ongoing learning throughout the PGY2 year.