

Special considerations

Managing and supporting trainees: defer from training/change in circumstances

Overview

It is a condition of appointment to the Queensland Intensive Care Training Pathway that successful applicants commit to the Pathway for the duration of their training. In the event that circumstances affect a pathway trainee's ability to comply with this condition, the applicant can apply for special consideration to defer from the pathway. Applicants must submit documentation regarding their circumstances for consideration. This document refers to the Queensland ICU Training Pathway process, trainees will need to contact their employing HHS and CICM for advice.

Eligibility

These guidelines apply to:

- New pathway trainees who have applied through the Queensland Health RMO Campaign and have been offered a pathway position
- current pathway trainees at any time during their training.

Examples of reasons to seek special considerations:

- Defer commencement on the pathway
- Defer return to ICU training (dual trainees)
- Change in planned hospital / term allocation
- Extended period away from training

How to apply

Applicants must submit a statement confirming:

- Contact information; name, address, email and phone number
- Reasons for the applicant's request to defer from the pathway
- Length of time they intend to defer from the pathway
- Medical certificate/s or other supporting documentation stating what the exceptional compassionate grounds or other exceptional reasons are.

Trainees must give the pathway team adequate notice of their intention to defer, ideally before the directors mapping meeting held in May. Send the completed statement to QLDICUTraining@health.qld.gov.au

Decisions and notification of outcome

Applications will be reviewed by the ICU Pathway Medical Director on a case-by-case basis and applicants will be notified of the outcome within 5 working days.

Further information

Trainees can contact the intensive care training pathway office for further assistance, Ph: 31993956 or QldICUTraining@health.qld.gov.au.