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Prevocational Medical Education and Training – CPMEC update

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Outline

The current situation in prevocational training

Internship Review

CPMEC role going forward

Risks of ignoring the prevocational cohort

CPMEC Governance update

The Situation

Dominated by release of the Final Report of the Review of Medical Intern Training incremental progress to date on the recommendations.

Focus has remained in the PGY1 and to a lesser extent the PGY2 year.

Lack of enthusiasm at the National Medical Training Advisory Network meetings to consider issues of the PGY3 year and beyond.

Being driven by governments

Many players in the market – each with limited mandate and influence

Internship Review

Progress

- National Training Survey (NTS)
- Intern Work Readiness
- AMC review of PMCs

Little progress

- National curriculum
- E-portfolio
- Funding of national peak body for prevocational training
- Indigenous health issues

Outcomes of NTS workshop

Unequivocal support for a national medical training survey

Strong agreement regarding benefits of a national survey

Strong agreement that the survey include pre-vocational (intern & PGY2), vocational trainees and supervisors

Strong support that survey results should be published, with the level of reporting to be determined

Outcomes of NTS workshop

Strong agreement that a national survey could fully or partially replace existing surveys

Evenly divided views as to whether a national survey should be voluntary or mandatory

Further examination of a governance models and structure is required

CPMEC role going forward

Information sharing amongst constituent groups

Advocacy in national forums and issues

Professional development opportunities

Will need to do so based on goodwill of members

Risks of ignoring PGY3 and beyond

CV inflation

Under-utilised graduates

Inefficient use of PGY2 and beyond

Poorly informed career decisions

Fragmentation of supervision, assessment, curriculum,

Advocacy for a vulnerable group reduced – risks for safety and welfare



Terry Brown in 2015 Forum

It has been challenging period
but CPMEC continues to survive
for now and ensure a national
voice for prevocational medical
education ...but not sustainable

Governance

No new funding – although CPMEC inputs always sought

Part-time secretariat in future

Continue to organise conferences and professional development activities

PMCs to take greater roles and responsibilities in supporting the Special Interest Groups

Advocacy role to continue at national level

Summary

Challenges facing prevocational trainees – new medical schools will add to complexities

Need for leadership / ownership / investment

Success of internal CPMEC reforms will determine whether a national outlook on prevocational matters is still the reality in future