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Dear All,

The RMTV Advisory Committee (made up of members of majority accredited training sites), in conjunction with the Victorian Branch of the AFRM, and the employing health services, has agreed to again trial the current model with some a minor amendment for 2027 Victorian rehabilitation medicine registrar recruitment. To cater for the needs of the employing health services and registrars alike, RMTV continues with an equitable model, consisting of key events and dates to mainstream the process. The key difference lies in the format of the information evening and the submission of health services first preferences for each position/term (now aligned with submission of registrar priority lists).

RMTV proposes a recruitment model for 2027 rehabilitation medicine registrar positions, which is outlined below:

- Each accredited Victorian rehabilitation medicine health service will be requested to forward a training site job information summary to RMTV by **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. The information will be uploaded and available to access by registrars on the RMTV website <http://rmtv.org.au/training-positions/>
- A virtual information evening, will now be held over TWO evenings – for metropolitan health services on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026** & for regional health services on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026**. This event allows the opportunity for registrars to have private virtual meetings with selected employing health services. Due to the increased demand and complexity of the evening, RMTV has implemented some key changes:

- i) Conducting two separate virtual evenings: one for metropolitan Victorian health services and one for regional Victorian health services;
  - ii) Limiting appointments for registrars to FIVE health services per evening;
  - iii) Restricting appointments for registrars to health services where they have not been employed.
- The application process has two stages. The first stage requires applicants (registrars) to apply directly to individual employing health services. Opening (**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026**) and closing dates (**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026**) for applications will remain, however applicants are advised to check the exact dates with the relevant facilities, along with the preferred method of application. Applicants are strongly advised to apply for a number of positions, as it will increase the likelihood of obtaining a position.
  - Interviews will follow the closing of applications. All interviews between applicants and sites must be completed by **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**. RMTV will inform health services and applicants that discussions at this stage are non-binding and that both the health services and applicants have the right to further explore their options.
  - The second stage requires applicants to nominate and forward a registrar priority list to RMTV by **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026**. This is for all health services/positions they are prepared to accept an offer of employment for each term in 2027. The applicant is informed that if they nominate a position on their priority list, then they should accept that position regardless of preference number. Ideally, applicants should only list positions at health services where they secured an interview for the position.
  - Similarly, participating health services will also forward their 1<sup>st</sup> preferences only for each position (& term) available to RMTV by **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026** to allow RMTV to tabulate preferences of health services and applicants. The decision regarding appointments is solely the responsibility of the

individual Health Services, however, RMTV encourages that the trainees' position in the training program and requirements for further training time is strongly considered when appointments are made.

- A virtual “allocation” meeting involving RMTV Staff and Directors (Unit Heads) of Rehabilitation Medicine will occur to finalise Victorian positions on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026**. Members of RMTV staff involved in the AFRM Victorian Registrar selection will accept no responsibility for non-receipt of registrar preference lists.
- Applicants will be notified from individual Directors or Unit Heads from the respective health services that they have applied to regarding their application status.
- All unallocated applicants for 2027 will be notified by RMTV that they have been unsuccessful in being appointed for a position during the official allocation meeting. They will be provided a list of all unfilled positions and contacts to enable application for any unfilled position still available.

Below is a summary of the key dates in the 2027 recruitment process:

**Key Dates: 2027 Victorian Rehabilitation Medicine Registrar Recruitment**

<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>	<b>Completion of training site information sheet by employing health services</b>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	<b>Virtual Information Evenings – co-ordinated by RMTV: for metropolitan Victorian health services ONLY</b>
<b>Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2026</b>	<b>Virtual Information Evenings – co-ordinated by RMTV: for regional Victorian health services ONLY</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>	<b>Opening of applications for 2027 Victorian Rehabilitation Medicine registrar positions.</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b>	<b>Closing of applications for 2027 Victorian Rehabilitation Medicine registrar positions.</b>

<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Completion of interviews between employing health services and applicants.</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Applicants (registrars) to submit their priority list to RMTV.</b>
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Health services to submit their nominated preferred candidate(s) for each position (&amp; term) to RMTV.</b>
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	<b>Virtual allocation meeting between RMTV staff &amp; Unit Heads of employing health services.</b>

If you require further information on the recruitment process, please do not hesitate to contact Lee MacDonald [lee.macdonald@austin.org.au](mailto:lee.macdonald@austin.org.au)

Kind regards,

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