

UROLOGY

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS)

To become a Urologist, you will need to apply for fellowship with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS) The responsibility of the administration of Urology Surgical Education and Training (SET) has been deligated to the Urological Society of Australia and New Zealand (USANZ). Fellowship is a minimum 5 year (full time) pathway and consists of:

SET 1	Basic Urology Training
SET 2-3	Intermediate Urology Training
SET 4	Advanced Urology Training
SET 5	Advanced Urology Training - progressing to independent clincial practice

Entry requirements/pre-requisites

- General Medical Registration with the Medical Board of Australia.
- Be a citizen of Australia or New Zealand or a permanent resident of Australia.
- Completion of PGY2 (earliest year of entry is PGY3), including a minimum of 26 weeks in General Surgery rotations and a minimum of 8 weeks in a critical care rotation. Each rotation must be a minimum of 8 continuous weeks completion of the RACS Hand Hygiene Learning Module and the RACS Operating with Respect eLearning module.
- Successful completion of the Generic Surgical Sciences exam.

In addition to the RACS entry requirements, there are also USANZ Specialty Specific Eligibility Criteria. For further information on this, consult pages 6-7 of the <u>USANZ Selection Regulations</u>. In brief, there is an additional clinical rotation requirement of 26 weeks in Urology in PGY2 or above.

Application and selection process - how to apply

Applicants must first register their intention to apply for SET Training with the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons.

USANZ collaborates with the RACS as an agent of the College, to administer the training program in Australia and manage the Board of Urology. For further information on the Selection and Application process, visit the USANZ website: https://www.usanz.org.au/educate-train/application-selection

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Useful contacts and links

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Medi-Nav: https://medinav.health.gld.gov.au

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons: https://www.surgeons.org/

Urological Society of Australia and New Zealand: https://www.usanz.org.au

National Medical Workforce Factsheet: https://hwd.health.gov.au/webapi/customer/ documents/factsheets/2016/Surgeons.pdf



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Note: Queensland Health does not offer central allocations or preferencing for the Urology specialty; however Urology trainees must submit an application through the RMO Campaign for an employment contract to be issued by the allocated facility.

Program requirements

Urology SET Program Overview: https://www.usanz.org.au/educate-train/set-program-overview

Regional training opportunities in Southern Queensland

There is currently 1 Urology registrar position in Toowoomba*.

*Position data valid as at October 2020

The following table outlines the Urology training pathway and stages that the Toowoomba Hospital is accredited for:

			TRAINING PROGRAM			
RACS	SUB-SPECIALTY	SITE	SET 1: Basic Training (months)	SET 2-3: Intermediate Training (months)	SET 4-5: Advanced Training (months)	
	Urology	Sites	12	24	24	
		Toowoomba Hospital	✓			

Map your Urology training pathway in Southern Queensland

The following table provides an example pathway from internship through to fellowship in the Southern Queensland region:

			UROLOGY SURGERY TRAINING PROGRAM - EXAMPLE PATHWAY				
PGY1	PGY2	PGY3	PGY4	PGY5	PGY6	PGY7	PGY8
			Basic Training	Intermediate Training		Advanced Training	
Intern	RMO	RMO	Year 1 - SET 1	Year 2 - SET 2	Year 3 - SET 3	Year 4 - SET 4	Year 5 - SET 5
Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Toowoomba Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital	Royal Brisbane Hospital	Royal Brisbane Hospital

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