



GP RE-ENTRY PROGRAM

Are **you**
a GP who:

- ▶ is working up to 3 sessions a week?
- ▶ needs upskilling in particular areas?
- ▶ is ready to work more sessions but concerned about your experience & competence?



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Australian General Practice Training



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The Royal Australian
College of
General Practitioners

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Australian College of Rural & Remote Medicine



WHAT IS THE GP RE-ENTRY PROGRAM?

In 2004 the Department of Health and Ageing announced funding for a General Practitioner re-entry program as part of the Strengthening Medicare initiative. It uses the regionalised infrastructure provided by general practice Regional Training Providers (RTPs) to provide training at a local level.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS PROGRAM?

Qualified General Practitioners who:

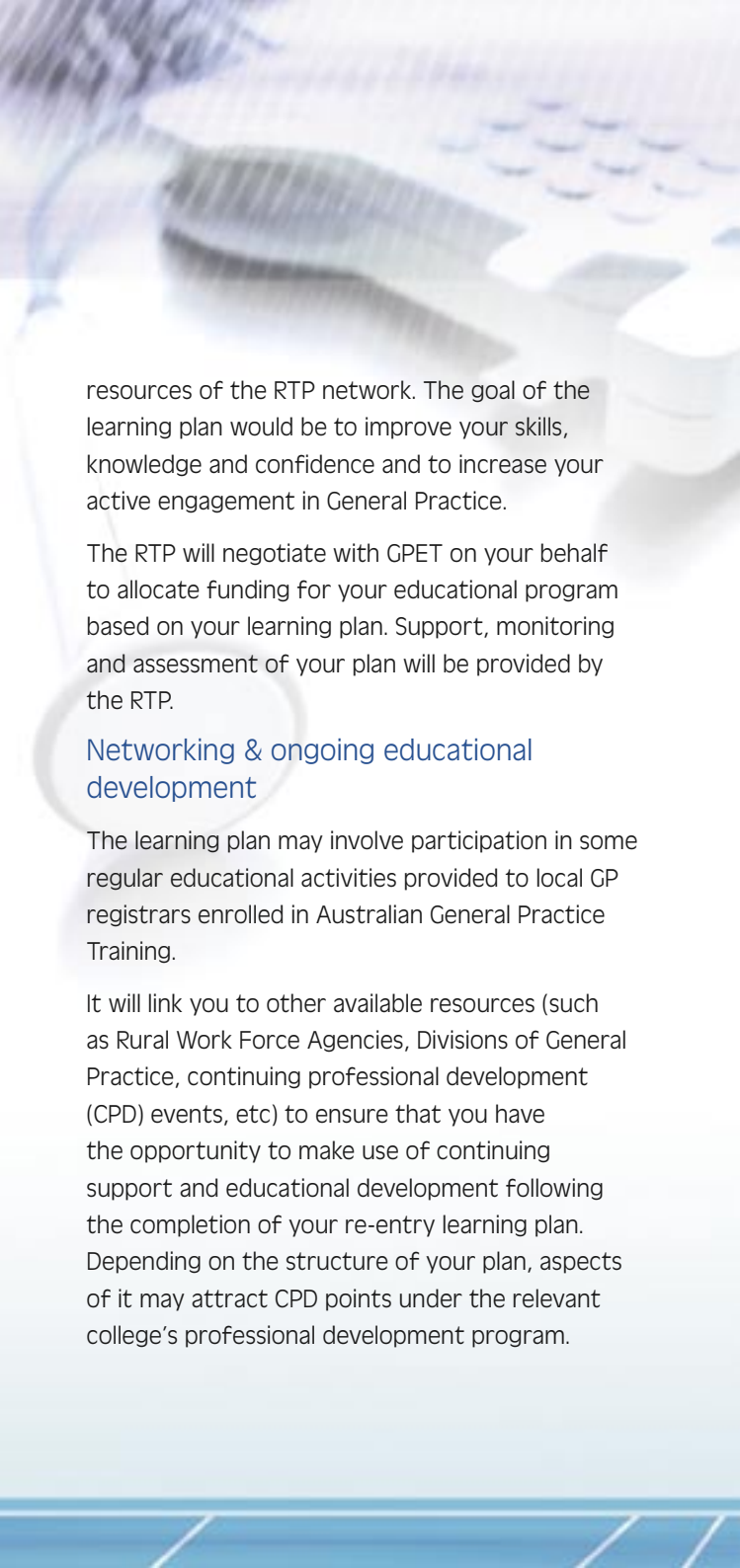
- o have previously worked as a general practitioner; or
- o are Fellows of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners or Fellows of the Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine; and
- o are or can be registered to practice through their State Medical Board; and
- o are currently not working or are working less than 3 sessions per week in General Practice or a similar area (e.g., breast screening).

There is also a separate re-entry program for specialists of various disciplines. Currently we have formed links with Royal Australian College of Physicians to jointly assist both the College and GPET in publicising both programs. For details of the RACP's re-entry program please refer to their website www.racp.edu.au and click on Where we stand>Workforce>re-entry Program Guidelines.

THE PROCESS

Individual Educational Plan

In consultation with your RTP's medical educator, you will work to develop an individualised educational program based on a negotiated learning plan which will be facilitated through the



resources of the RTP network. The goal of the learning plan would be to improve your skills, knowledge and confidence and to increase your active engagement in General Practice.

The RTP will negotiate with GPET on your behalf to allocate funding for your educational program based on your learning plan. Support, monitoring and assessment of your plan will be provided by the RTP.

Networking & ongoing educational development

The learning plan may involve participation in some regular educational activities provided to local GP registrars enrolled in Australian General Practice Training.

It will link you to other available resources (such as Rural Work Force Agencies, Divisions of General Practice, continuing professional development (CPD) events, etc) to ensure that you have the opportunity to make use of continuing support and educational development following the completion of your re-entry learning plan. Depending on the structure of your plan, aspects of it may attract CPD points under the relevant college's professional development program.



FUNDING

Funding for individuals' training will be negotiated with GPET through the RTP network.

Individuals will be reimbursed for travel and other costs if they are a required element of their agreed learning plan.

CONTACT US

If you are interested in finding out more information about this opportunity and how to contact your local regional training provider, please contact:

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