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The ACTASM is now in its fifth year, and is continuing to develop, with many electronic enhancements introduced designed to make the process of submitting surgical case and first-line assessment forms more efficient. The [Canberra Doctor](#) published an article recently highlighting the process and outcomes of the audit to inform the wider medical community of this important national initiative.

Fellow's Interface enhancements

Recently the ANZASM has updated the functionality of *Fellows Interface*, the online platform for surgical case and first-line assessment forms, to include the following:

1. Surgical Case Forms (SCFs) can now be delegated electronically to a third party, such as a trainee or registrar (please refer to [Third party delegation of cases – Fellows user guide](#));
2. Passwords can be reset from the Fellow's Interface homepage (previously this had to be done by the audit office); and
3. Notifications of death can be self-reported (please refer to the [self-generate NOD user guide](#)).
4. Development work has also commenced on adopting your RACS Single Sign On user id and password, to login into Fellows Interface. We are anticipating this to go into production mid-to the latter half of July.

Individual Surgeons Reports

Another extended function is that Fellows are now able to download an *Individual Surgeons Report* via a link on the *Fellows Interface*. This useful Report provides personalised information on all cases undertaken by the ACTASM for which you were the treating surgeon. Your own data is compared to all (deidentified) peers within your specialty, both within the territory and nationally

Targeting 100% Fellows Interface use

In order to reduce the possibility of transcription errors, and to ensure full completion of the forms, the national audits of surgical mortality will now be moving towards 100% online completion of surgical case and first-line assessment forms. For those surgeons still using paper-based forms, within the next few months the audit office will commence forwarding your forms through the Fellows Interface system. This will involve sending you a username and password, and a link which will take you to the sign in page for each case. A link to a user guide will be provided.

Extended CPD points for ACTASM Assessors

The Professional Standards Committee has recently approved an increase to the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Category 1 points available for assessors for the audit. From January 2017, assessors will receive the following additional CPD points:

- First-line assessor – 2 points per assessment form completed
- Second-line assessor – 4 points per assessment form completed

If you are interested in becoming an assessor, or increasing your assessment level, please contact the audit office on the details below.

ACTASM Feedback

The 2016 ACT Case Note Review (CNR) Booklet is due to be released shortly. This year we have a themed booklet, with cases from around the country highlighting *Clinical Leadership* issues in care. The ACTASM Seminar will also follow this theme, with the date to be released shortly.

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