

Exceptional Performance of SIMGs: Criteria and Procedure

The SIMG Committee, with the support of the RACS SIMG Department, have developed a new criteria and procedure to evaluate and approve applications for exceptional performance.

Please note, the following criteria should be met when applying for reduction of supervision due to exceptional performance. The SIMG Department will assess the below criteria, and if any are not met, the application may be declined.

- The SIMG must have completed at least six months of supervised practice before an application for exceptional performance can be made
- The requesting supervisor/s have completed all mandatory training
- The SIMG has passed the FEX or EVOPP (if required as listed on recommendation letter)
- The SIMG is CPD compliant
- All completed terms of supervised practice have been assessed as satisfactory
- There are no other outstanding requirements (i.e. TIPS)

When applying for a reduction in supervision due to exceptional performance, supervisor/s should outline, in a formal letter, how the SIMG has met the following criteria (please note, this list is not exhaustive)

- Extensive case mix, depth and volume as a primary operator
- Published, peer reviewed research
- Presentation at professional meetings
- Receiving prizes or awards
- Significant contributions to significant public health or community

Following receipt of the above letter, the RACS SIMG Department will then form an expert panel to review the request. The expert panel may include individuals such as the STB/C Chair or Nominee, Chair of the SIMG Committee, or Community Representative. The expert panel may request to review any or all of the following:

- Term reports for periods of supervised practice
- Application letter from the supervisor/s
- FEX or EVOPP results (if applicable)

The panel may choose to interview the SIMG and/or their Supervisor/s as part of this process. The recommendation of the panel will be considered by RACS and endorsed by the Clinical Director. This recommendation will then be forwarded to the Education Committee Executive panel for final approval.