1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides details on the Early Management of Severe Trauma (EMST) and Care of the Critically Ill Surgical Patient (CCrISP®) coordinator’s professional development funds known as Professional Assistance Program (PAP).

2. KEYWORDS

EMST, CCrISP®, Professional Assistance Program, (PAP)

3. BODY OF POLICY

To enhance professional knowledge and expertise in trauma or surgical acute care education, EMST and CCrISP® coordinators have the opportunity to attend a clinically related activity funded through RACS.

3.1. Suitable activities

3.1.1. EMST funding is provided toward:

   a. Attendance at an approved trauma education program or conference.
   b. Observing an EMST course within Australia or New Zealand.
   c. Attendance at an external course to enhance required skills.
   d. A related activity not outlined in the above objectives (pending approval).

3.1.2. CCrISP® funding is provided toward:

   a. Attendance at an approved critical care education activity.
   b. Observing a CCrISP® course within Australia or New Zealand.
   c. A related activity not outlined in the above objectives (dependent on approval).

3.2. Eligibility and reporting requirements

3.2.1. The coordinator must have coordinated a minimum of three courses (excludes courses coordinated under supervision during the training process).

3.2.2. The coordinator must have coordinated a course within the last 12 months.

3.2.3. The coordinator has not previously received a PAP grant in the last two years.

3.2.4. A written report detailing learning experiences from activity undertaken is to be submitted to the relevant course committee meeting.

3.3. Funding

The co-ordinator PAP is funded through the College’s Education Corpus annually:

3.3.1. EMST PAP fund - A$6,500 per year.

3.3.2. CCrISP® PAP fund - A$3,500 per year.
3.4. Selection criteria

Selection is dependent upon:

3.4.1. The relevance of the coordinators application to trauma or acute surgical care education.

3.4.2. Optimal utilisation of the available funds.

3.4.3. Applications received by the Skills Training Department by the given due date.

3.5. Selection committee

The coordinator PAP selection committee meets to discuss the applications and determine the successful candidate in line with the selection criteria (Item 3.5). The selection committee comprises of:

3.5.1. Skills Training Department Manager

3.5.2. National Course Co-ordinator

4. ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

No associated documents.

Approver  Education Board
Authoriser  Council