

GPET Update

30 September 2008

GPET Board Meeting, 26 September 2008

Record number of applications for the AGPT program

At its meeting on Friday the GPET Board received an update on the selection process for the 2009 cohort of the AGPT program. The number of applications for 2009 is 826 (731 for the first intake, which opened in May, and 95 for the second intake, which opened in August), well above the previous high of 761 for the 2007 AGPT cohort. Selection interviews with regional training providers are completed for the first intake process, and are underway for the second intake, and all 600 available training places for 2009 entry are expected to be filled.

Board strategic planning workshop

The GPET Board held a strategic planning workshop on Thursday 25 September, the day before its September board meeting. Key strategic issues discussed at the workshop included the contracting/tender process for the 2010-12 triennium - to be rolled out next year; key performance indicators for the AGPT program and RTPs; the role and form of GPET in the future; and internal GPET capabilities to meet strategic challenges. The board will be considering detailed papers on the key issues identified at the strategic review workshop over the next few months.

Convention receives positive evaluation

An evaluation presented to the board of last month's GPET Convention in Wollongong, 'Further, Higher Stronger – Achieving a personal best through teamwork' found (on a scale of 1-5) 83% gave a rating of 4-5 for the overall success of the convention; 85% rated the convention 4-5 on meeting their requirements; and 86% rated it 4-5 on the right mix of workshops and streamed sessions. Feedback included having more workshop places available, more sessions for supervisors, and allowing greater use of PowerPoint by presenters. The 2009 Convention will be held in Adelaide in the first week of September.

RTP accreditation confirmed

The GPET Board confirmed the reaccreditation of Institute of General Practice Education Incorporated as a provider of Australian General Practice Training for three more years.

GPET AGM to be held next month

The GPET annual general meeting will be held at the GPET offices in Canberra on Friday, 31 October 2008.

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