

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Nurse Practitioner Accreditation Committee – Terms of Reference

PURPOSE:

To review the outcomes of assessments undertaken by ANMAC assessment teams in relation to nurse practitioner programs of study leading to endorsement and make recommendations to the CEO concerning accreditation, in order to effectively assure the quality of nursing and midwifery education to promote and protect the health of the community.

OBJECTIVES:

- To review the reports and recommendations from accreditation assessment teams and ensure that there is sufficient evidence that a program being assessed meets the accreditation standards.
- To make recommendations to the CEO concerning whether accreditation should be granted, granted conditionally or not granted.
- To recommend the establishment of a review panel if irreconcilable differences arise between the accreditation committee (and assessment team) and an education provider.
- To review, ratify and provide advice on monitoring reports and ratings.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Senior education expert with particular skills, knowledge and experience in curriculum development
- Academic Expert
- Senior education expert (with particular skills, knowledge and experience in curriculum development)
- Academic with expertise relevant to course being accredited - nominated or selected from expressions of interest
- Nurse practitioner with expertise relevant to course being accredited - NP nominated by the Australian College of Nurse Practitioners
- Academic who teaches pharmacology in a nurse practitioner program
- Academic Expert
- Clinical pharmacist
- Nurse practitioner with expertise relevant to course being accredited - nominated or selected from expressions of interest

IN ATTENDANCE:

- Associate Director for Professional Programs responsible for the accreditation assessments to be reviewed by the Committee

- Assessment Team Chair responsible for the accreditation assessments to be reviewed by the Committee
- Director of Accreditation Services.
- Chief Executive Officer ANMAC

TERM:

Members will be appointed for a period of 3 years with an option of a second term of three years. Further extension of term will be at the discretion of the CEO.

MEETINGS:

As scheduled according to availability of members and need.

QUORUM:

A quorum will consist of half the members plus one (1).

SECRETARIAT:

Executive Officer – Office of the CEO

REPORT TO:

Chief Executive Officer of ANMAC.

EVALUATION:

Annual evaluation will be conducted to review the terms of reference and the Committee's performance, for the purposes of quality improvement.