

POSTGRADUATE MEDICAL COUNCIL OF VICTORIA

PMCV 2026-2027 Match Rules

**Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Continuing
Advanced Trainees Match**



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General Rules

VICTORIA AND TASMANIA RESPIRATORY/SLEEP ADVANCED TRAINING IN 2027 CENTRAL APPOINTMENTS PROCESS

There is a central appointment process for Respiratory Advanced Trainees in Victoria and Tasmania.

The Postgraduate Medical Council of Victoria (PMCV) will conduct this process on behalf of Victorian and Tasmanian Respiratory and Sleep Department in 2026 for 2027 positions. All potential candidates must register via the PMCV website for participation in the match.

CONTACT

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HOW TO APPLY AND PROCESS

Positions are advertised on the PMCV computer matching website. Important dates are listed below, and all dates are listed on the PMCV website.

Applications for all Respiratory/Sleep training positions must be completed using the PMCV computer matching website. Continuing Trainee Applicants for Respiratory and Sleep Medicine are not required to provide references, however, applicants must complete the CV form required through the match, as well as submit their own personal CV to lungsleepmatch@gmail.com.

Returning trainees are advised to request individual interviews with any health service in which they are intending to preference for the match, at the earliest convenience.

TRAINING PROGRAM

Throughout the three-year Advanced Training program, successful candidates will be guaranteed 24-months of core respiratory training. It is not guaranteed they will complete 12 months of sleep training. The Respiratory Heads of Department across Victoria and Tasmania support trainees to complete 24-months of core respiratory training, regardless of an interrupted training schedule. This means that trainees can re-enter the match, on more than two occasions for circumstances of planned approved leave, such as parental leave, or due to part time training.

Only positions obtained through the formal match process can be prospectively counted towards the two years of core respiratory training required for fellowship in Respiratory Medicine. Although looked upon favorably, any prior respiratory medicine experience in positions obtained outside of the match process cannot be counted towards core respiratory training.

KEY DATES

Monday 18 th May	Match opens for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration• Applications• Nomination of health service preferences
Thursday 4 th June	Match closes for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Registration• Applications
Monday 15 th June	Match closes for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Delete/reorder preferences (existing preferences only)• Withdrawal from the match
Thursday 3 rd July	Offers Published <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Results of match available to trainees and health services

RESPIRATORY/SLEEP ADVANCED TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

All listed health services recruiting Advanced Respiratory/Sleep Trainees will utilise the PMCV Respiratory/Sleep Advanced Trainee Match. The following hospitals are participating in the 2026 Continuing Trainee Match. Advanced Trainees are typically employed by the relevant health service.

Victoria

- Alfred Health
- Austin Health
- Barwon Health (Geelong Hospital)
- Eastern Health (Box Hill Hospital)
- Grampians Health (Ballarat Hospital)
- Monash Health
- Melbourne Health (Royal Melbourne Hospital)
- Northern Health
- Peninsula Health
- St Vincent's Hospital
- Western Health

Tasmania

- Royal Hobart Hospital

POSITIONS AVAILABLE FOR CONTINUING TRAINEES IN 2026:

Health Service	Continuing Trainee Match Positions
Alfred Health	6/12 Sleep-NIV & 6/12 Lung Transplant x2 12 Months Respiratory Medicine x2
Austin Health	6/12 Respiratory & 6/12 Sleep x4
Barwon Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine Full Time x1 12 Months Respiratory Medicine Part Time x1
Bendigo Health	Nil
Eastern Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x2 12 Months Sleep/NIV x1
Grampians Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x1
Monash Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x1 6/12 Respiratory & 6/12 Sleep x1
Northern Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x1 12 Months Sleep x1
Peninsula Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x1
Royal Melbourne Hospital	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x1 6/12 Respiratory & 6/12 Sleep x2
Royal Hobart Hospital	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x2
St Vincent's Hospital	6/12 Respiratory & 6/12 Sleep x2
Western Health	12 Months Respiratory Medicine x2 6/12 Respiratory & 6/12 Sleep x2

1. Match Model

The following health services are available for candidates to preference:

Victoria

- Alfred Health
- Austin Health
- Barwon Health (Geelong Hospital)
- Eastern Health (Box Hill Hospital)
- Grampians Health (Ballarat Hospital)
- Monash Health
- Melbourne Health (Royal Melbourne Hospital)
- Northern Health
- Peninsula Health
- St Vincent's Hospital
- Western Health

Tasmania

- Royal Hobart Hospital

The training selection process is competitive, and merit based. Both candidates and health services rank their preferences as part of the Match process. In accordance with the allocation and placement procedures, the preferences of candidates are considered with reference to where a candidate is ranked by a health service.

It is not permissible for candidates or health services to divulge their preferences / rankings to another party.

All health services participating in this Match abide by the allocations and placement service code of conduct as detailed on our web site [PMCV Allocation and Placement Service](#), and must utilise the PMCV Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Allocation and Placement Service. They may not go outside the service for the appointment of Respiratory and Sleep Medicine registrars.

2. Candidates Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for selection as a Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Advanced Trainee undertaking clinical training with the Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP), an applicant must meet the requirements described below.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR RESPIRATORY/SLEEP ADVANCED TRAINING

To be eligible to apply for selection as a Respiratory/Sleep Advanced Trainee, an applicant must meet the requirements described:

- The applicant must be registered with the RACP and have successfully completed the Basic Physician Training written exam.
- The applicant must have previously been allocated a position as an accredited position through the Victorian and Tasmanian Respiratory and Sleep Advanced Trainee selection committee.
- An applicant is not eligible to participate in the continuing trainee match if they have already been allocated an accredited position through the Victorian and Tasmanian Respiratory and Sleep Advanced Trainee selection committee on two previous occasions.
- Interstate applicants are not eligible to participate in the continuing trainee match, and are eligible to apply in the New Advanced Trainee Match, commencing in July.

PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

All personal information submitted by candidates including their application, CV and referee reports will be accepted as private and confidential information. In submitting that information, the candidate consents for their application, CV and referee reports to be made available to the Health Services which the candidate has nominated on their Candidate Preference List and to the members of the relevant interview panel specifically for the purpose of the Central Appointments Process only.

APPLICATIONS

If you meet the Eligibility Criteria for Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Advanced Training, you can enter the match.

It is a condition of the match that if successful, an applicant MUST accept the position offered.

Please think carefully before applying, as you may be matched outside metropolitan Melbourne or to Tasmania.

GENERAL RULES

- The match is open to trainees who have been allocated an accredited position through the Victorian and Tasmanian Respiratory and Sleep Advanced Trainee selection committee and have not accrued more than 24 months of core Respiratory training at the end of their current training year.
- The match will be conducted by the PMCV using the Gale-Shapley algorithm.
- Schedule of Dates/Timeline is available on the PMCV website and the APS Match.
- Trainees will preference positions first, then Heads of Departments.
- Head of Departments will be able to see whether trainees have preferred the position, but not the ranking.
- Head of Departments are not required to rank all candidates.
- No references are required to be submitted by continuing trainees via the PMCV website.
- Trainees are not required to preference all positions, however, are encouraged to preference all positions that they would rather be matched to than unmatched.
- The results of the match will be considered final. All hospitals are required to offer their position to the matched trainee and all matched trainees are required to accept the position offered.

3. 2026 Match Process

All participating health services have agreed to participate in the Victorian state-wide selection process, with no health services permitted to go outside the match.

Candidates may apply to as many health services as they like.

Interview

Returning trainees are advised to request individual interviews with any health service in which they are intending to preference for the match, at the earliest convenience.

Candidate Preference List (CPL):

Candidates will be able to add all available positions to their Candidate Preference List (CPL) in the Allocation and Placement Service until 5:00pm Thursday 4th June 2026.

Candidates will be able to re-order existing positions on their CPL until Monday 15th June 2026 at 5pm.

Health Services will have access to information only from candidates that apply to them via the PMCV allocation and placement service.

Both candidates and Health Services will rank their preferences prior to the match. In accordance with the allocation and placement process, the preference of candidates will be considered with reference to where a candidate is ranked by a Health Service.

Candidates must complete an application through the APS (Allocation and Placement Service) website prior to the closing date. Any incomplete application will not be considered.

4. Match Results

Successful applicants will be contacted by phone by the hospital Head of Unit or delegate, after a valid match has been declared. If the successful applicant declines a job offer at that hospital, they will be out of the match and the next highest applicant who missed selection initially will be offered that position.

Health services and candidates will be able to access their match results via log in to the Allocation and Placement Service.

The PMCV will supply the coordinator the complete match results.

IMPORTANT: Only one offer will be made to each successful candidate.

Applicants who decline that offer will NOT be offered any other position within the network.

Matched Applicants: Computer Matching results are available to candidates and Health Service administrators via the PMCV computer matching website from 10.00am on Thursday 2nd July 2026. Matched candidates will receive an email from the PMCV advising them that they have been offered a position through the match and should check the details on the PMCV website.

Letters of appointment are made to successful applicants by the relevant institution.

Overall ranking will not be available to candidates.

Applicants who are not offered a position in the initial round of offers may be contacted if positions become vacant or if new positions are created if they scored sufficiently well as to be considered suitable for employment in a Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Advanced Training position.

5. Unmatched Candidates

Unmatched applicants will receive an email from the PMCV advising them that they have not been offered a position through the match. If otherwise suitable for the training program, unmatched applicants will remain on a ranked list and will be notified should a position become available.

Unmatched applicants are advised to contact the coordinator for further information.

A list of unmatched candidates will remain on a ranked list and will be notified should a suitable position become available.

A list of all unmatched candidates will be supplied with contact details by the PMCV to health services that have unmatched positions.

If positions remain unfilled at the conclusion of the match, those positions can only be filled from the pool of unmatched candidates. If matched positions are declined after the conclusion of the match those positions can only be filled from the pool of unmatched candidates. Health services with unmatched positions will be responsible for directly contacting unmatched candidates.

If positions are not able to be filled by suitable applicants within this network, interstate Network Training Coordinators will be contacted, to ascertain whether suitable candidates remain without positions.

Should there be no remaining candidates assessed as suitable to enter Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Advanced Training, an attempt will be made to fill remaining positions with non-training house officers.

Please note: Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Advanced Registrar positions which become available during any year due to unforeseen circumstances (such as parental leave or resignation of a registrar already in the training program) may occur outside the PMCV matching service.

6. Application of Business Rules

These business rules apply only to the 2026 Respiratory and Sleep Medicine Continuing Trainee Match.

Privacy and Confidentiality

All personal information submitted by candidates including their application, CV, referee reports and current supervisor's reports will be accepted as private and confidential information.

In submitting that information the candidate consents for their application, CV and referee reports to be made available to the health services which the candidate has nominated on their Candidate Preference List and to the members of the relevant interview panel specifically for the purpose of the Central Appointments Process only.